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Dayan seeks 'origins of civilization'

AGRIGENTO, Sicily (UPI). — Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan took half a day off politics yesterday to visit the ruins of 2,400-year-old Greek temples in the countryside near Agrigento.

Dayan, an archeology buff, sandwiched in a tour of the "Valley of the Temples" in between talks with Italian leaders in Rome and a scheduled Vatican meeting today with Pope Paul VI.

"For one day I want to forget the wars I fought and my present political commitments," Dayan told city officials. "I have come to search for the origins of civilization."

Security men discreetly guarded Dayan during his tour of the Valley of the Temples and the Agrigento Archeological Museum. He then flew back to Rome for a meeting with Israeli ambassadors in Europe.

Dayan's meeting with the Pope today is expected to deal with the future of Jerusalem. The Vatican wants an internationally guaranteed special status for Christian shrines in Jerusalem and other parts of the Holy Land.

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Lisa Palmieri-Billig adds from Rome:

While the Italian Foreign Ministry seems to be offering tacit accep-

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Second oil strike in Alma

By ZE'EV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A second major oil strike was reported from the Alma oilfield, in the Gulf of Suez yesterday.

The disclosure was made inadvertently by Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i during an Israel Radio live interview.

Moda'i said that the drill had hit "pay dirt" at approximately the same level as the earlier strike reported from Alma II (the new well carries serial number three) and that it would continue to dig further to explore a second and even more promising layer believed to be located a few hundred metres below the top oil-bearing stratum.

"We were so eager to get at the stuff at Alma II that we didn't bother to go down any deeper there," Moda'i said.

Commercial production at the field will start by March 1. The field should ultimately yield some 10,000 tons of crude per day — equivalent to one-third of the country's present requirements. But estimates range up to 20,000 tons.

Additional wells will be sunk at a rate of one every 50 days or so, and there will eventually be between 10 and 12 producing wells in the field.

The minister did not deny expert estimates that there was $40 billion worth of oil off the eastern (Israel-held) side of the gulf. "But I'm not confirming this either," and he allowed that he would trade it in on the spot for half that amount "cash on the barrelhead."

Ben-Elissar back from Bucharest

BEN-GURION AIRPORT (Itim). — The director-general of the Prime Minister's Office, Dr. Eliahu Ben-Elissar, returned here yesterday from a two-day special mission to Bucharest.

Ben-Elissar, who was sent by Prime Minister Menahem Begin to report to Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu on developments in Middle East peace negotiations, would not reply to reporters' questions.

Egyptian War Minister Mohammad Gamasy (second from right) and Defence Minister Ezer Weizman (centre) in Cairo yesterday. (UPI telephoto)

Yadin: Jordan not excluded from talks

By MARK SEGAL
Post Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin last night denied that Israel's peace plan excluded Jordan as a negotiating partner over the future of Judea and Samaria. On the contrary, he reassured the Council of the Democratic Movement for Change, meeting at Beit Sokolow here, Jordan is definitely the partner for negotiations over the fate of this area, rather than the Palestinians or even Egypt.

Yadin noted that five of the 26 clauses in the Begin peace plan that deal with the West Bank autonomy proposal specify Jordan's role. "Believe me, this aspect was well thought out by the premier," Yadin stressed.

The deputy premier spoke in superlatives of the Begin government's diplomatic achievements, saying that "for the first time since Eisenhower's presidency, the U.S. government supports an Israeli initiative. Begin's achievement was in winning the support of President Carter, before the Prime Minister presented his plan to President Sadat," he said.

Contrary to expectations, the meeting did not witness any clash between supposedly opposing segments of the party leadership. Council chairman Dan Bibro managed to stave off demands for an immediate debate on "the state of the movement," announcing that the DMC Knesset faction and secretariat had started to thrash out internal relations, and the council would consider the matter within a fortnight. He earned loud applause when he said the DMC's 200,000 voters expected the party to introduce new norms into political life. "Our party belongs neither to one man nor to one group," he said.

Other speakers reflected rank-and-file annoyance over the recent bad publicity earned by DMC MKs. Behind the scenes, Shmuel Toledano MK was being accused of waging a feud against Yadin and other leaders because they declined to support his nomination for the presidency of the state.

Yadin claimed all parties were split over the peace talks and "every Israeli has mixed feelings." Responding to criticism that Israel had given in too quickly and too much on Sinai, he said, "We are at our moment of truth. The talks would not have started if we had insisted on retaining sovereignty over part of Sinai." Israel had to make a suitable counter-move to Sadat's historic visit to Jerusalem, otherwise its international position would have been undermined, he declared.

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Begin regrets French Middle East attitude

PARIS (JTA). — Prime Minister Menahem Begin regretted in a radio interview with France Inter yesterday that France's attitude regarding the Middle East conflict had not changed. Begin said the U.S. and Britain had judged his peace proposals as being constructive, whereas France had remained silent so far.

Begin also said Israel has the right to seek border rectifications and in this respect could invoke the right for self-defence which was carried at the end of World War II, when the Soviet Union and Poland, both attacked by the Third Reich, received portions of German territories.

Carter pledges 'active role' by U.S.

CAIRO (UPI). — U.S. President Jimmy Carter assured Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in a letter yesterday that America will work for the success of the current Egyptian-Israeli peace negotiations, Egyptian officials said.

They said Carter pledged that Secretary of State Cyrus Vance will play an "active role" at the meetings of the joint political committee, scheduled to open on Monday in Jerusalem.

Carter's letter was delivered to Sadat in Aswan by U.S. Ambassador Hermann Eilts, the officials said.

Israel states position on Jewish settlements in Sinai

Talks off to rocky start

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent

CAIRO. — The Israel-Egypt military committee talks got off to a somewhat inauspicious start yesterday. There were reports of serious differences of opinion over the agenda, and the Egyptians did not permit Defence Minister Ezer Weizman to give the speech he had prepared for the opening.

At the closed 90-minute opening session Weizman urged the continuing maintenance of Jewish settlements as part of a peace agreement guaranteeing open boundaries and waterways between the two countries.

But his Egyptian counterpart, Gen. Mohammed Gamasy demanded total evacuation of Sinai, including the liquidation of Jewish settlements.

An Israeli source said the Egyptians had not wanted opening speeches at the conference — which began without any pomp or ceremony — "for their own reasons."

Meanwhile, *The Jerusalem Post* learned Israel is insisting that, before any specific proposals are discussed, the Egyptians first give a firm commitment not to join other Arab states should they make war on Israel. And the Egyptians are insisting that specific issues — such as that of Jewish settlements — be broached before any definitive statement is made on the nature of peace.

Israel hopes to get its point across this morning when Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur gives a two-hour talk to the combined delegations outlining the threat to Israel's security from the Arab world — a lecture which he prepared several days ago and which has been cleared both by Premier Menahem Begin and by the Ministerial Defence committee.

One of the points Israel wishes to clarify at a very early stage of the talks is a proposal that before Israel hands back any territory, the Egyptians agree to cut their army substantially.

If these two points are cleared up — that Egypt will not intervene in case of a war between Israel and other Arab countries and that Cairo will reduce its forces — then many of the "sticky" issues will be "relatively easily solved," to quote a senior source.

Weizman entered the talks at Tahra palace here, a former residence of Egypt's deposed royal family, after a 55-minute talk with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat in Aswan, 1,000 km. south of here. Before leaving earlier in the day for the flight to Egypt, the defence minister told a news conference at Ben-Gurion Airport that Israel is presenting a five-point peace programme involving the following points:

1. Phased withdrawal of Israel Defence Forces from Sinai (over a period of three to five years).
2. Designation in Sinai of areas of limited forces and armaments, demilitarized zones and the presence of UN forces.
3. Maintenance of the Israeli settlements (in Sinai) and the determination of their status.
4. The status of Israeli airfields (in Sinai).
5. Control over security measures.

Weizman was asked to comment on a hardline editorial in yesterday's "Al-Ahram," in which the Cairo paper's board chairman warned that Egypt had a strong army and would take the war option if the present hopes for peace did not materialize. The defence minister, who said he hoped this was not simply intransigence for the sake of intransigence, added that he hoped to spend a substantial amount of time with Gamasy and was glad the editors of the semi-official Egyptian paper would not be among the negotiators.

(The frontpage editorial, written by Yussef el-Sebah, said, "Mr. Begin errs if he thinks that Arabs are divided and that he can impose the peace he wants, by counting on his military strength. The Arabs can be brought together by another October," the newspaper said, referring to the Yom Kippur War of 1973, "with all the solidarity it manifested in the battlefield and in using the oil weapon.")

Asked by reporters what his mandate was in the talks, Weizman replied, "to achieve to the best of my ability security measures between Israel and Egypt and if possible with our other neighbours."

Asked if the issue of Israeli settlements was the most critical facing the talks, Weizman said, it "looks like a critical problem." But he said this particular problem did not make him feel either optimistic or pessimistic.

Accompanying Weizman to the talks were Deputy Defence Minister Mordechai Zipori; Chief of Staff Gur; Chief of Intelligence Shlomo Gazit; chief of planning Avraham Tamir; Moshe Sasson, to do liaison with the Foreign Ministry; and the delegation's spokesman, David Kolitz.

Yesterday's talks opened without the expected live coverage and with neither ceremony nor flags. Originally the Israelis had thought that both Egyptian War Minister Gamasy and Defence Minister Weizman would make speeches. But the Egyptians dismissed this idea, only allowing photographers and reporters into the conference hall for a few minutes to record for posterity the 16 delegates seated around the green baize table.

The Israeli delegation, however, decided to hand out the text of the speech that Weizman never made because, according to a senior aide, the minister had important things he wanted to be heard.

In the speech, Weizman noted that Sadat's "historic visit to Jerusalem initiated a peace process" and had drawn "immediate response" from Prime Minister Begin.

But he warned that "peace must not be realized at the expense of security" and referred to both hardline Arab states and the PLO terrorists.

"We must not forget that there are extremist nations who threaten us with utter destruction," the statement said. "These nations have not renounced their belligerent intentions and offer haven and protection to terrorist organizations whose avowed will is to destroy the State of Israel."

Stressing Israel's desire for normal relations with Egypt, Weizman stated in the undelivered speech:

"May our children in Jerusalem and their counterparts in Cairo one day find it difficult to comprehend that commercial flights between Tel Aviv and Cairo, and the presence of an Israeli ambassador sitting at the feet of the Pyramids, did not exist from time immemorial, but were rather the fruits of the discussions and deliberations of this forum."

Despite the Egyptians' underplaying of the talks, it was said here that Sadat made an effort to convince Weizman during their Aswan talks that he considers the success of the meeting to be vital.

It is believed here that the Egyptians want to try to complete as much as possible at the initial military talks before coming to Jerusalem to discuss Judea-Samaria at the political committee talks, which begin on Monday. A senior Israeli source here said early last night that there was a good chance the Israeli delegation may stay over till Friday morning instead of returning on Thursday, as originally planned.

This would allow the negotiators

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Weizman soothes Sadat after Begin's speech

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

ASWAN. — Defence Minister Ezer Weizman, who flew here to meet with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat before the military talks opened in Cairo, sought to soothe the Egyptian president's bitterness at Premier Begin's hardline speech to his Herut Party Central Committee on Sunday.

"He has a tendency to get excited," Weizman was heard saying to Sadat, in reference to Begin. "You know, politics in a democracy...and he's got some troubles...."

The remarks were overheard before the two men got down to their more substantive discussion.

Weizman was also heard saying to the president that he had "regards from Begin" who was "working too hard but is all right."

After the meeting Weizman and Egyptian War Minister Mohammed Gamasy entered their limousine in frustrating silence while the eager newsmen were kept penned in a nearby garden by burly security men. Offered the opportunity of a shouted question, Weizman merely donned his dark glasses and waved.

He flew here with his military aide and a bodyguard, but they both stayed outside the room while Weizman conferred with Sadat and Gamasy.

Weizman's visit here, which was reported in advance by the Cairo press, is seen by Egyptian political observers as reinforcing the prevalent impression that the president believes he has in the Israeli defence minister a man he can "do business" with.

The visit, it is felt here, has set a precedent whereby Sadat can intervene personally in the progress of the military committee talks in Cairo — and perhaps also of the political committee talks in Jerusalem — and handle knotty problems directly with Weizman.

After Weizman drove off, U.S. Ambassador Hermann Eilts was ushered into the president's house, saying to newsmen: "Last — but I hope not least."

Eilts had told the reporters earlier that it was Sadat — and not Weizman, as "Al-Ahram" had reported — who had suggested the Sadat-Weizman meeting. He (Eilts) had acted "as mailman."

He himself, the envoy said, had come to Aswan at his own request to discuss with the president "the general situation," a designation which he refused to expound on.

In Jerusalem it was learned that Eilts' meeting with Sadat was designed to coordinate the agenda for Monday's political committee talks between Egypt and Israel in Jerusalem.

U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis met with Prime Minister Begin for the same purpose yesterday.

Sadat cares about Israel's security, he tells Schindler

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

ASWAN. — President Sadat gave an assurance to Rabbi Alexander Schindler yesterday "that Egypt guarantees the security of Israel." In a conversation at his rest home with the American Jewish leader, Egypt's president expressed awareness of American Jewry's concern for Israel's security — and made determined efforts to allay anxieties.

On the fear of eventual Soviet-backed PLO rule on the West Bank, Sadat said: "We don't want them there any more than you do."

Schindler, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, will take home to the U.S. a three-point message from the Egyptian leader:

- that his desire for and commitment to peace is earnest and sincere;
- that the present negotiations are a "unique" opportunity which, if not seized, could be lost forever;
- that Egypt appreciates Israel's security concerns and can vouch for Israel's security after peace is signed.

Schindler, for his part, stressed that only Israel can be the judge of what its security requires, and American Jewry would back the Israel government's decision on security — whatever it might be.

In their 45-minute talk Sadat and Schindler stuck mainly to the broadly acceptable verbiage of peace and security and apparently steered clear of controversial specifics. The presence of Jihan Sadat and of Schindler's wife Rhea gave the occasion a social rather than intensely political aura.

Schindler himself told newsmen later that the conversation had not dwelt "specifically" on the Palestinian Arab issue.

Schindler stressed to the president, *The Post* learned, his belief that the peace-making process would be drawn out and arduous — and Sadat appeared to agree. He replied that where matters of Israel's security were concerned he would have unhurried patience.

Sadat stressed several times that Egypt could proceed completely unhindered in the Arab world, and implied that if an agreement were reached with Israel the other Arab states would quickly fall into line.

He swept aside Schindler's cautious observation that "you are not — forgive me — the *only* leader in the Arab world...Israel is surrounded by other sources of danger." He stressed repeatedly that he represented at this moment in his dialogue with Israel "at least one-third of the Arab world," and that beyond numbers and fractions Egypt was the linchpin to the fate of the conflict.

After the meeting Schindler held an impromptu press conference on the lawn of the guest house for the 40-odd local and foreign newsmen present.

There, Schindler steered delicately through a barrage of tough political questions from some top Cairo press correspondents, warning against "sloganeering from afar," and expressing his confidence that both the Palestinian problem and the question of settlements would find their solution in the peace talks.

Waldheim won't attend political talks

Post Diplomatic Reporter

UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim has sent Israel a note saying that he will not attend the joint political committee talks with Egypt convening Monday in Jerusalem. Nor will he send a representative, Waldheim added.

The UN had been invited to participate in the political talks between the foreign ministers of Israel and Egypt. U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance has accepted an invitation to take part in the talks.

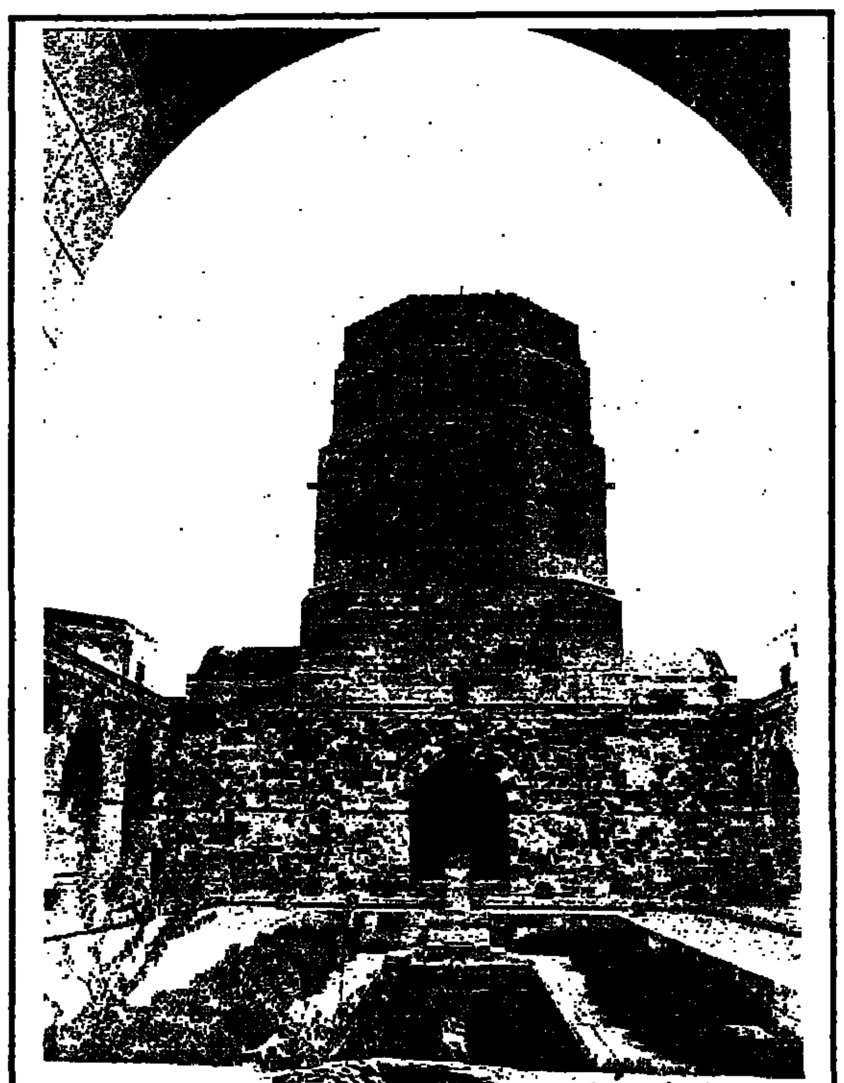
A Foreign Ministry statement said Israel had been informed of Waldheim's decision by Gen. Ensio Siilasvuo, the UN's chief officer in the Middle East. Siilasvuo attended the initial direct talks between Israel and Egypt in Cairo last month.

The Foreign Ministry said it regretted Waldheim's decision.

Some observers said they believed Waldheim might have been offended because he was not invited personally. (The invitation asked him to send a representative.) Other observers thought that Waldheim might be staying away due to the opposition of some Arab states and the Soviet Union to the Jerusalem forum.

A member of the Egyptian advance team in Jerusalem said that Cairo had hoped Waldheim would attend. Egypt has been obviously keen about showing UN support for its current dialogues with Israel.

Hussein Hassouna of the Egyptian Foreign Ministry told newsmen in Jerusalem yesterday that he expected the UN to rejoin the deliberations once the Jerusalem forum reports back to the initial Cairo peace conference.



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The ups and downs of Jimmy Carter's first year of dealing with the Middle East are charted by Wolf Blitzer.

What went wrong in scandal-torn Ashkelon? Philip Gillon tries to find out.

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Anonymous caller says he has missing J'lem boys

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An anonymous phone call to the police yesterday raised hopes for the well-being of the two youngsters who have been missing from their Jerusalem homes for almost two weeks.

Seven-year-old Sammy Minter and eight-year-old Zaish (Haim) Dadon have been missing from their homes on Rehov Stern in the Kiryat Yovel quarter since Friday, December 30. The police initiated a massive manhunt which, at its peak, included almost 2,000 policemen, border policemen, soldiers and volunteers. But last week the search was called off and the police concentrated on the possibility of a criminal act.

Police officers described themselves as pessimistic this week, but yesterday the mood changed after a man who called himself "Buba" (doll) called police headquarters and said he was holding the children. The caller said he would release the two if the police promised not to press charges against him.

After consultation with the attorney-general, the police issued a public statement in which they promised to stop their investigation and not prosecute the man if the children were released. The police also consulted the parents of the children and received their assurances that they would not take action if they got their children back.

Meanwhile, Gerald Minter, father of Sammy, anticipating that the two boys might be set free anywhere in the country, asked the public to be on the lookout for them. The children might be too frightened to just go up to anyone and identify themselves, he reasoned.

For the last few days, Minter said, his wife and the parents of Zaish Dadon have consulted fortune-tellers in an effort to locate the children. On Tuesday, he said, they saw a sheikh in Hebron who told them that two men, a Jew and a Christian, were keeping their sons. Yesterday the parents saw a priest in Shfaram who also said the youngsters were being kept prisoner. But neither could say where the boys were.

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Gush Etzion rally for settlement lacks steam

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Political Reporter

KFAR ETZION. — Attempts by Gush Emunim settlers to organize large-scale opposition to the concessions Israel has offered in its peace proposals appear to have run out of steam, and two outstanding Gush Emunim sympathizers yesterday opposed their policies.

A call by Gush Etzion residents for a meeting here of settlers from all over the country yesterday was a poorly attended local affair. Several hundred people were present, but half the seats were empty. Most participants appeared to be local residents.

The Labour-affiliated Ihud Hakvutzot Vehakibbutzim and Kibbutz Meuhad movements are cooperating through party institutions, and the moshavim have their own coordinating system. Gush Emunim is therefore joining activities organized by other groups, a senior source in the movement told *The Jerusalem Post*.

The turnout at the recent "protest vigil" in front of the Prime Minister's Office — organized by leaders of the Land of Israel Movement — similarly was far from overwhelming. About two dozen demonstrators were on hand during a press conference yesterday at noon, although the weather was pleasant. MK Moshe Shamir, the movement's leader, told reporters that several hundred people had signed a petition of support since the vigil began on Sunday. The figure is "approaching 1,000," he said.

In an apparent effort to sustain the momentum, the organizers called for a mass rally there at 3:30 this afternoon. Settlement groups are organizing a march to Yamit next Thursday, and Gush Emunim is organizing a tree-planting ceremony in Shilo on Tu Bishvat, January 23.

Meanwhile, Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon publicly criticized the organizers of yesterday's meeting here. The organizers told reporters that as late as Tuesday Sharon was to attend the meeting, but he cancelled his participation, explaining he could neither defend the government nor announce a decision for large-scale settlement.

But shortly after Israel Radio broadcast this explanation, Sharon called the studios and denied the report. He said he would not attend a meeting whose organizers attack the government unjustly — and that applied to the organizers of yesterday's meeting. Reiterating his stand at the Herut Central Committee meeting on Sunday, Sharon said the government peace plan was good but there was need for large-scale settlement.

Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren, who is considered a hawk, attended the meeting here but told the participants he supported Begin's plan.

Goren reported he had a long tete-a-tete with Begin yesterday and later some members of the Rabbinical Council joined the meeting. In addition to a general discussion of Begin's proposals, Goren said he had discussed the future of Jewish holy sites, including the Temple Mount. He reported that Begin had promised that the rabbinate would be authorized to declare Jewish sites to be "holy sites" and there would be no changes in the sites' status without the agreement of the chief rabbis, the Rabbinical Council and other Jewish leaders.

"I'm reassured, very reassured," he said. "Eretz Yisrael will remain under our sovereignty," he declared.

Sinai was never part of Eretz Yisrael, or else Moses would have divided it among the tribes when he led the Jews out of Egypt, the rabbi added.

One of the participants exploded: "Begin pulled a fast one on you, too. Please excuse me, your honour," he called.

"He didn't have any magic influence on me," Rabbi Goren replied. "I was influenced by what I've heard. You can trust him."

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received Civil Service Commissioner Avraham Friedman, who together with the former commissioner, Ya'acov Nitzan, presented the 27th annual civil service report to the President.

Ecuador's new ambassador to Israel, General Carlos Aguirre Asanza, called on Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek on Monday.

Ronald Jason Lovinger, professor of landscape architecture and architecture at the University of Oregon, has been named holder of the Technion's Sidney Wolberg chair for the academic year 1977/78.

ARRIVALS

Alexander Hassan, newly elected president of the American Technion Society, for meetings with Technion officials.

Halprin to be buried in Jerusalem today

The coffin of Rose Halprin, one-time chairman of the U.S. section of the Jewish Agency and twice national president of Hadassah, arrived in Israel yesterday from New York.

The coffin was accompanied by Charlotte Jacobson, former president of Hadassah and chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency, and by members of the family. The body will lie in state at the Henrietta Szold Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Centre in Jerusalem from 8.30-9.30 this morning. The funeral procession will then leave for the Mount of Olives, stopping at the Jewish Agency compound.

TWO COUPLES waiting for marriage registration in Jerusalem's rabbinate complained recently to police that thieves had stolen a watch worth IL7,000, a gold lighter and a ring while they were in line.

Golan Druse, Jews call for annexation to Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KIRYAT SHMONA. — The heads of the five Druse villages on the Golan Heights yesterday joined leaders of the Golan's 26 Jewish settlements and of the towns and kibbutzim of Upper Galilee and the Hula Valley in demanding that Israeli law be extended to the Golan.

Speaking for the Druse, Mas'ada Local Council chairman Muhsein Abu-Saleh told a press conference here that the villagers demand that Israel officially annex the Golan. He said the 13,000 Druse and Moslems on the heights see themselves as Israelis and want the good neighbourly relations they have enjoyed with the Jews of the Golan and of the Upper Galilee kibbutzim to grow still closer.

Kiryat Shmona Mayor Avraham Aloni, who organized the press conference to show the North's stand on possible changes on the Golan, said that after 10 years of Israeli presence there it was time to see the Golan as an integral part of Israel. The heights are the security belt for the entire Hula Valley and Upper Galilee, Aloni said, and not one of the 50,000 inhabitants of those areas would even entertain the possibility of Israel moving back on the Golan by so much as an inch.

Also represented at the press conference were the mayor of Hatzor, the leaders of the new Golan development town of Katzrin, the Golan Heights Settlements Committee, and representatives from the kibbutzim of Upper Galilee and the Hula Valley. The two Katzrin representatives, Ehud Margalit and Shmuel Bar-Lev, called for making a fact of the slogan "The Golan is an integral part of Israel." Yehuda Harel, head of the Golan Settlements Committee, said that, as there were no signs the government had decided even to negotiate about the future of the Golan, now was the right time to extend Israeli law over it.

Referring to Mayor Aloni's description of the Golan as the North's security belt, Harel said: "The Golan is defending Kiryat Shmona just as Kiryat Shmona and other border settlements are defending the Golan and the State of Israel, enabling the people of Tel Aviv to gather in front of their city hall to dance and sing for peace" (a reference to an event staged shortly after Egyptian President Sadat's visit to Jerusalem).

Ya'acov Shamir, secretary of Kibbutz Malkiya in Upper Galilee, who represents the so-called "forum of Upper Galilee kibbutz secretaries," said: "We are not against the peace initiative, but we are concerned about the future of the concept of peace and security. No one should forget that throughout all our wars settlements have marked out the borders of Israel."

Speaking for the Druse villages on the Golan, Muhsein Abu-Saleh of Mas'ada called upon all Golan settlements to work together to achieve the goal of union with Israel. Harel answered by inviting the Druse leaders to a general meeting of the Golan Heights settlements next Monday.

The mayor of Majdal Shams on the Golan, Hail Kanj, talking to journalists in English, said he does not believe Syrian President Hafez Assad will join peace negotiations in the near future. Kanj said he had learned his English while serving a 23-year sentence at Syria's Palmyra desert prison for alleged collaboration with Israel. He returned to Majdal Shams only two years ago.

Meanwhile, all settlement work in the Golan is going forward as planned, the Golan Heights Settlements Committee announced at the press conference. They said the Housing Ministry yesterday began work on the first houses in the new settlement of Ortal in the northern Golan.

Ortal, which sits on Har Shifon, south of Ein Zivan, will be the Kibbutz Me'uhad movement's fourth settlement on the Golan.

Yamit seen as 8-km. beachside city

Jerusalem Post Reporter

YAMIT. — The district town planning committee for the Yamit region, headed by Meir Batz, regional planner for the Negev in the Interior Ministry, yesterday approved a master plan for the future city of Yamit.

The plan calls for a city stretching eight kilometres along the Northern Sinai beach, from Rafiah to Moshav Dikla, an area of some 12,000 dunams. (There are now less than 1,500 persons living in Yamit.) The committee approved an additional 12,000 dunams for a port and its ancillary facilities. (A plan for the port is still on the boards.)

The committee approved the setting aside of two areas, both northeast of Yamit in the direction of Rafiah, as possible locations for the Mediterranean entrance to the Dead Sea canal if it is ultimately started at Yamit. It also approved the building of 5,000 housing units in Yamit, over 500 of which have already been constructed.

ILP deciding today on joining coalition

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Independent Liberal Party's Executive will decide today whether to negotiate joining Prime Minister Menahem Begin's coalition.

First Egyptian tourist writes love poem to J'lem

Tears rolled down the cheeks of Sayed Abdul-Aziz Amara, the first Egyptian tourist in Israel, when he met with Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek at City Hall yesterday.

Amara, who signed Jerusalem's guest book, added to his signature a long poem of his love for the city.

A municipality official gave Amara a book of drawings by Arab and Jewish children on peace, with a special dedication expressing the hope that Amara will be the first of many Egyptian tourists to visit Jerusalem with the coming of peace.

Amara, who arrived in Israel on Sunday, spent two days touring Jerusalem.

MKs clash over Soviet Jewish prisoners

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

The "Leningrad prisoners," who have been on a hunger strike since December 15, received a message of encouragement from the Knesset yesterday.

Yosef Rom (Likud) presented a motion for the agenda, on behalf of members of five factions, calling on the Knesset to try to influence world opinion to work for the release of Eduard Kuznetsov (the husband of Silva Zalmanson) and Alexei Murzhenko.

The motion was referred to the Aliya and Absorption Committee, with the Democratic Front for Peace and Equality (formerly the New Communist List) voting against. Some of the remarks by the front's Charlie Biton evoked angry retorts from various parts of the House.

Kuznetsov was sentenced to death (later commuted to 15 years at hard labour) and Murzhenko to 14 years in a special regime labour camp for having attempted to hijack a Soviet plane in June 1970 and eventually reach Israel. They were among the 11 Jews — including Silva Zalmanson — who were convicted in that hijacking attempt.

The maximum sentence for attempted hijacking in the Soviet Union is now 10 years' imprisonment, Rom noted. Kuznetsov and Murzhenko have already served seven years, and under the new Soviet law they should now be eligible for release

The government's reply was delivered by Haim Landau, who was sworn in as minister without portfolio less than 24 hours before.

"So long as there is a Jew imprisoned abroad because he is a Jew, the Jewish state will not be silent," Landau said.

Charlie Biton spoke next and, according to Knesset custom, he was supposed to congratulate Landau on his maiden speech. He did so, in his own way. "I should like — even though it is not pleasant for me — to congratulate the minister," Biton said.

Airplane hijacking is a crime and should be punished, Biton said, no matter who does the hijacking or under what circumstances. "I don't understand what all the fuss is about."

Arye Eliav (Sheli): "You came from Morocco. Do you know that Jews left Morocco illegally, in illegal ships?"

A moment later, Biton referred to Silva Zalmanson. Before she arrived in Israel (in 1974), Biton said, he had believed the propaganda in the Israel press — that she had rotted in prison and was going blind. Then he saw her on television as she got off the plane at Ben-Gurion Airport. "I saw her pretty, red face and the fur coat she was wearing. You said she suffered. I know people who are suffering here, in the State of Israel."

Then Biton referred to the previous motion for the agenda, on the conditions in Israeli prisons, which had been presented by Dov Shilansky (Likud).

Biton said he knew of inmates of Israeli jails that were suffering from conditions too shameful to mention.

Shilansky: "Our prisons, for all their poor conditions, are a Garden of Eden compared with the conditions over there."

Press centre ready, no free phones

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The meetings of the joint Israel-Egyptian political committee, opening Monday at the Jerusalem Hilton, could have the same benefit of worldwide news coverage as the historic visit of President Sadat to Jerusalem last November. It all depends on the number of applications for special press accreditation received by the Government Press Office.

Office director Ze'ev Hefetz told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that only 25 newsmen from abroad had applied for accreditation, "but we expect between 150 and 200 by the time the meeting begins."

In addition, continuous coverage of the negotiations will be available from the 200 or so resident foreign correspondents in Israel.

Unlike the arrangements for the Sadat visit, when a press centre was established in the large lounge of the Jerusalem Theatre, this time the centre is Room 500 of the Binyenei Ha'ooma building, a few score metres from the Hilton Hotel.

The large room, with its panoramic view of the hills to the south and west, has already been equipped with 85 telephones and 17 teleprinters.

Most of the phones will have direct international dialling, and the others will have direct circuits to the Tel Aviv international phone exchange. This will enable correspondents to contact cities with which Israel has no direct international dialling arrangements.

Minister of Communications and Transport Meir Amit and his director-general Moshe Gidron visited the centre yesterday. They were shown the bank of timing meters set up on a board behind the telephones.

These are a pointed reminder of the situation prevailing during the Sadat visit. That event was scheduled so unexpectedly that there was no time to install timers or to set up a billing system.

As a result, some $250,000 worth of "collect" phone calls were rung up by journalists and the embarrassed ministry admitted later it "hoped" to collect at least a third of that amount.

This time, the callers will have to show their credit cards before making a call.

Seven of the 10 teleprinters have been set aside for use by news agencies, and Egyptian journalists will enjoy direct point-to-point communications — phone, telex and radio transmission lines — with their home offices.

Loudspeakers have also been installed in the room, and television receivers are to be set up to enable newsmen to keep abreast of events even as they send in their reports.

Direct communications facilities have also been installed for the Egyptian delegation in the Hilton, and for the party of U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance in the King David Hotel.

Hilton's Egyptian-born housekeeper recalls when father guarded Farouk

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The assignment of an Israeli woman born in Egypt to look after the Egyptian advance party at the Hilton Hotel appeared to be greeted by the visitors with some reserve at first, apparently out of fear that she might be connected with the security services.

Regina Zur, the hotel's chief housekeeper, does indeed have a connection with a security service — but not Israel's. Her late father, Avraham, was a senior intelligence officer for the Egyptian police for more than a decade before 1948.

Her father, she related yesterday, was known in Egypt as *Ibrahim* Sourour and, apart from his family and one or two senior Egyptian officials, everyone assumed he was a Moslem. He worked his way up through police ranks to a position in charge of special operations and was frequently in charge of security for King Farouk, Zur said yesterday.

Sourour often worked in disguise, sometimes as a peasant, sometimes as a rough riverman. One night, Zur recalled, she woke with a start to find a *fellah* bending over her bed. It was her father who had just returned from one of his frequent assignments in rural Egypt. "He was usually out in the country and we saw little of him," she said.

Little Regina sometimes accompanied her father to the royal club at Giza where Farouk went to shoot pigeons. "Farouk once kissed me and said, 'You have a good father'." Sourour frequently prayed with Farouk in a mosque. "The king didn't know he was Jewish either."

Regina's mother, Sarina, who held French nationality, was known to be Jewish; but it was not unusual for Moslems to marry Jews in Egypt, she said. Following Israel's War of Independence, two of her three brothers left for Israel via France. This led to the discovery of Sourour's religion by his immediate superiors and his dismissal, Zur relates.

Otherwise, however, the family was not disturbed until the attack by England and France on the Suez zone in 1956. Sarina and her children, as French citizens, were ordered out of the country. Sourour, who had meanwhile found other employment, left with them.

After a year in a kibbutz, the family moved to Tel Aviv. Regina went to work at the Tel Aviv Hilton as a chambermaid 11 years ago and transferred to the Jerusalem Hilton upon its opening in 1974. She became chief housekeeper two years ago. One of her brothers is now a lieutenant-colonel in the army reserves.

"Yesterday was the first time in 20 years that I had a chance of speaking with Egyptians," she said. "It was very exciting." She asked them about her street in Heliopolis and the Triumph Restaurant, a two-storey building which marked the outer edge of the neighbourhood. "They told me that the neighbourhood stretches now for five kilometres past the Triumph, all the way to the airport. They said I wouldn't recognize it if I went back. They said they hoped there would be peace so I could go back and see for myself. I'd like to."

As the initial reserve wore away, Regina pointed out the Jerusalem sights from an upper-storey window in the hotel. "I showed them the Knesset and said, 'This is where your Sadat spoke.' They were excited about that. When they pointed to the Wolfson Towers and asked what those nice buildings were, I told them they are apartments which people buy. They were interested to hear that people here buy apartments and don't generally rent. They asked, 'Are you all rich?' "

Regina Zur's father was blind when he died five years ago in Holon. "He loved the Egyptian people very much. He said the Israeli leaders didn't know how to talk to them. But he felt that if they ever could get together to talk — like now — without an intermediary — they could make peace."

Regina Zur, chief housekeeper at the Hilton Hotel, chats in the lobby with two members of the Egyptian advance party, Farouk Fahrer of the Foreign Ministry (left) and Yussef Mirzuk, a technician with Egyptian broadcasting (right). (Richard Charbit)

The United Zionist Committee
of Great Britain and Ireland

is grieved at the passing of

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who devoted her life to the cause of Israel
and the Zionist Movement.

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an outstanding human being and Jewess whose memory
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one of the world's leading Zionists.

Her contributions to the cause of Zionism and the State of Israel are indelibly etched in history, and were still being made by her as Chairperson of the Hadassah Aliyah Committee at her death.

Jerry Enis

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In pain and deep sorrow, we announce the death of our beloved

VERA TOUVAL (Weltmann)

nee Marberger

The funeral will leave the municipal funeral parlour, 5 Rehov Dafna, Tel Aviv, today, Thursday, January 12, 1978 at 2.30 p.m. for the Kiryat Shaul cemetery.

Husband: Meir Touval (Weltmann)
Son and daughter-in-law: Saadia and Alana Touval
and children
Brother and sister-in-law: Gjuka and Lea Marberger
Sister-in-law: Margit Goldsman and family
and all the family

We deeply mourn the sudden passing of my
beloved husband, our father, grandfather

MAX WEISBROT

The funeral took place on January 11, 1978 at Eretz Haim Cemetery. We will be receiving condolences at 7 Rehov Hazionut, Jerusalem.

Valerie Weisbrot, Wife
Shaul J. Livnay-Weisbrot, Son
Ruth Livnay-Weisbrot, Daughter-in-law
Yaron and Limor, Grandchildren

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with deep regret announce the passing
of their good friend

HEDWA (Hedwig) BLUM

widow of the late Director General
of the office, Dr. Arno Blum.

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We share your grief at the death of your

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Strained personal relations in DMC Knesset faction

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset faction of the Democratic Movement for Change is straining badly at the seams — so much so that pundits from other factions, making their armchair comments in the House, suggest that the faction might split some time between now and the next elections.

Whatever the case, personal relations between the faction members are very poor. Several faction members say they are not satisfied with the performance of the faction executive in general and of party leader Prof. Yigael Yadin in particular.

A strong dovish element in the DMC is unhappy with the attitude of the Likud-led coalition towards settlement in the administered areas while Knesset Member Meir Zorea preaches a more hawkish line, and votes according to his own beliefs.

The social issues which the DMC believed would give it a wide field for action after the elections have been relegated to a low priority in the scale of parliamentary activity. Defence and foreign affairs are now prominent, because of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's peace initiative and the current negotiations.

The faction executive, chaired by Dr. Binyamin Halevi and also comprising David Golomb, Akiva Nof and Zeidan Atshe, has not managed to establish its authority in the 15-member faction. As a result, DMC men vote according to their personal views, arguing that they will not accept the faction whip unless they are consulted beforehand.

Chairman Halevi is the subject of complaints from some of the faction, and he in turn reportedly reproaches mavericks for voting as they wish.

There were calls at the last faction caucus to hold elections for a new executive by secret ballot. The present executive contends, however, that since it has only been serving for two months, its performance cannot yet be judged.

Faction members told *The Post* that they would be happier if Deputy Premier Yigael Yadin demonstrated a less authoritarian and a more tactful leadership style, because they believe this would help weld a group of individuals with widely divergent backgrounds and outlooks into a reasonably effective parliamentary body.

One MK told The Post, "We are the only faction whose members lack a common fund of human experience, and a common political philosophy. That did not matter so much before the elections, when we aimed to carve out a niche in the Israeli political world at a time of public distrust in the Alignment. We all expected to work in cooperation with a weakened Alignment after the elections, to ginger up their coalition. But in cooperation with the Likud, we're slipping apart — perhaps falling apart."

Although nobody in the faction appears to want a split at present, many observers say that a dissident group is emerging, said to include Amnon Rubinstein, Mordechai Wirshubsky, Shmuel Toledano and Asaf Yaguri. Others who are unhappy from time to time, reportedly, are Mordechai Elgrabli and Zeidan Atshe.

In the Knesset yesterday, David Golomb and Stef Wertheimer avoided *The Jerusalem Post's* attempt to get their views on the malaise. These two are expected to exert a unifying influence if all the other members of the faction are willing to try to make a fresh start.

The four cabinet ministers, Yadin, Shmuel Tamir (Justice), Meir Amit (Transport and Communications) and Israel Katz (Social Affairs), do not have enough time for faction activities.

DAYAN

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tance of Dayan's request not to prescribe formulas for Israel's peace negotiations with Egypt, the leftist press has spoken of Italian pressure on Israel in accordance with the EEC line.

Italian party politics seem to be behind this discrepancy. While Dayan was being received by Italian Foreign Minister Arnaldo Forlani, the Italian Socialist Party's director for foreign relations was receiving the PLO delegate to Italy, Nemer Hammad, and the socialist newspaper "Avanti" published a reminder that a just and lasting solution to the problem must be political and requires recognition of the role of the PLO.

On the official level, however, there seems to be agreement that some progress has been made in making mutual positions clearer and more acceptable.

Last night, Dayan revealed he had considered this trip important enough to ask Sadat for several days delay in the opening of the Egypt-Israel political committee talks in Jerusalem.

Arafat confers with Boumedienne

DAMASCUS (Reuter). — Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat had a long meeting in Damascus yesterday with visiting Algerian President Houari Boumedienne, Palestinian sources said here last night.

CAIRO TALKS

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an additional session, since yesterday was spent for the most part on matters of procedure, and today's session will be taken up by Gur's lecture.

The site of the talks, Tahra palace in the Heliopolis quarter of Cairo, was built by King Farouk for Queen Farida some 40 years ago and, ironically, served as the chief operations centre of the Egyptian army in the 1973 war. The six major Israeli delegates to the talks are staying at the palace and other members of the delegation are staying in an adjacent building. The press have been completely cut off, being housed at Shepheard's Hotel on the Nile, at least 15 km. away.

Cairo is not the same Cairo which greeted the Israeli delegation just a month ago. There are no flags in the streets and no portraits of Sadat. In fact, there are no signs here whatsoever that anything out of the ordinary is happening.

The Egyptians have obviously made a decision to play down the talks, and to wait and see what the outcome of both the military and political talks is before taking a stand. This could be a result of the great hopes they had apparently placed in the Ismailiya summit — hopes which were dashed to some degree when Prime Minister Begin and President Sadat failed to make a joint declaration.

Weizman arrived at Cairo International Airport aboard air force Boeing 707 number 004, landing at exactly 11 a.m. The plane actually arrived at Cairo earlier, but at the Egyptians' request circled the city for some 15 minutes so as not to land early.

Accompanied by some 40 media people, the Israeli delegation was whisked into the VIP terminal where in a short and unruly press conference before leaving for Aswan aboard President Sadat's personal Learjet, Weizman and Gamasy both said they hoped the talks would lead to a peace treaty.

Both ministers told the persistent newsmen that the question of settlements would be discussed, Weizman noting that the problem of settlements was one of many which existed between two peoples who have been in a state of war for 30 years.

Weizman said he personally would be very disappointed if nothing came of the talks, and that as far as he was concerned there was no time limit — the talks would go forward until a peaceful solution had been reached.

This sentiment was echoed by Gamasy.

The Israeli delegation's flight to Egypt took 45 minutes, with all members of the delegation looking keenly out the plane's windows as it flew along the Suez Canal — all apart from Gazit, who was immersed in an English novel, "The Tomorrow File."

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MKs prefer lunch to legislation

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Reporter

Likud Knesset whip Pessah Grupper resigned yesterday after the coalition lost unexpectedly on an Alignment private members' bill.

The bill, presented by Yigal Allon, called for the introduction of a five-day working week; and the government asked its coalition majority to strike it off the agenda.

However, too many Likud MKs were sitting at their lunch in the Knesset members' dining room when the vote was called for the Alignment bill. They refused to leave their food. The Alignment, by contrast, got its faction out in solid numbers.

(Gad Ya'acobi, when called in to vote with the Alignment, refused on the grounds that he opposes a five-day week. But his faction managed to win without him.)

Moshe Shahal, a co-sponsor with Allon and Shoshana Arbeli, said later that he would have to take a serious look at his bill now, for the committee stage. He never thought he would have to do so. However, he was sure the coalition majority in the Law Committee would prevent it from going through.

Grupper's failure did not begin and end yesterday. The coalition has lost several such votes in the past two months, mainly because its members are too sure of their majority. When the cabinet ministers do not turn up for the vote, as yesterday, and the DMC refuses to go along with voting instructions which have not been thrashed out in the faction, the coalition majority is far from certain.

Aryeh Rubinstein adds:

Dr. Israel Katz, minister of labour and social affairs, who asked the Knesset to return the bill to its sponsors, said that a five-day work week of nine hours a day has a number of negative aspects.

Studies conducted by the Institute of Productivity found that some workers in plants that had introduced the five-day week found the ninth hour of work extremely difficult. And for working mothers, the schedule caused problems with housekeeping and child care.

Former Labour Minister Moshe Baram initiated a comprehensive study of the subject during his term in office, Katz said. The study team, headed by the director of the Productivity Institute, will submit its findings within the next few months.

In most foreign plants, the introduction of the five-day week was accompanied by, or followed shortly by, the reduction of the work week to 40 hours, Katz said. The ministry did not feel that it could recommend this for the Israel economy.

Moreover, most studies found that fatigue increased and productivity dropped during the ninth hour of work.

Motions on 'child export' defeated

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israeli children sent to study in yeshivot abroad are being deprived *of Zionist indoctrination* and education in modern Hebrew literature, Knesset Member Meir Pa'il (Shelli) charged yesterday.

Pa'il, along with Ora Namir (Alignment), Gideon Hausner (ILP) and Charlie Biton (DFPE), proposed similar motions for the agenda on "Removing Children from Israel and Transferring them to Yeshivot Abroad."

After hearing the reply of Dr. Israel Katz, minister of labour and social affairs, the Knesset defeated the motion.

The four deputies claimed living conditions at the yeshiva near Paris — where approximately 150 Israeli children are studying — are substandard and that the children are unhappy there.

Hausner said, "Even if the conditions there are excellent, it is still not a good idea to treat Israeli children as commodities for export."

Namir charged the children were deliberately being sent out of the country by "Orthodox zealots" with the aim of having them grow up abroad, marry there and eventually settle outside Israel.

The Knesset motions — approved by the Presidium for "urgent" status — were sparked by an Israel Radio interview with parents of a boy at the Or Yosef Yeshiva near Paris. They claimed a Bnei Brak rabbi was encouraging children of underprivileged families to study in the yeshiva.

Dr. Katz told the House that the Israel Consul in Paris had been re*quested to visit the institution,* about two months ago, and to report back. The consul wrote that the yeshiva is located in pleasant surroundings and, although there is room for improvement in living and sanitary conditions, the food is adequate and good, and the children look well.

Dr. Katz added that the Interior Ministry now reports to him on every passport application from a minor wishing to leave the country without a parent. "This permits us to act in the event we suspect the minor's physical or emotional health could be endangered if he leaves the country," Dr. Katz explained.

"If one of our social workers determines there is reason to fear for the welfare of the minor, the social worker immediately applies to the court for an order barring the minor from leaving the country."

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Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan with Italian President Giovanni Leone at the Quirinale Palace before they conferred yesterday.

(UPI telephoto)

Haifa man kills daughter, then shoots himself

HAIFA (Itim). — A crippled Haifa resident apparently killed his four-year-old daughter yesterday and then shot himself to death, police sources reported.

Police say that Avraham Kleist, who is divorced, picked up his daughter yesterday from her day-care centre. The girl's mother, who came to get the child from the centre later in the afternoon, immediately went to her former husband's apartment, suspecting something was wrong. When nobody answered, she went to get the keys to the apartment, let herself in, and found the bodies of Kleist and their daughter.

Initial investigations revealed that the father shot himself and that the child had been beaten over the head. Police also reported finding a letter in Kleist's apartment explaining the motives for his action.

Yad Vashem to honour Italian partisan

The late Lorenzo Spada, an Italian who was tortured and hanged by Nazis during World War II for helping Jewish families in the village of Demonte, will be honoured at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem tomorrow, when a tree will be planted in the Avenue of Righteous Gentiles.

Batista Spada, brother of the deceased, will plant the tree and receive a medal of honour in his brother's name in a ceremony at 11 a.m.

Among those Lorenzo Spada helped were the Tadeschis, a family of five. Spada, who worked with the partisan movement, managed to warn the family before searches. He destroyed lists on which they were marked as Jews; and when the Ger*mans approached, he helped the* Tadeschis pay for their escape over the border and accompanied them to be sure all of them got across.

Should a leak be fixed during Sabbath prayers?

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset yesterday defeated two motions for the agenda on an incident in North Tel Aviv last Saturday in which yeshiva students prevented municipal workers from repairing a burst water line, leaving residents without water.

The motions were submitted by Ora Namir (Alignment) and Shulamit Aloni (Citizens Rights Movement).

They said that students of Yeshivat Harav Amiel had interfered with the workers and had alerted Chief Rabbi Goren, who lives in the neighbourhood. The rabbi prevailed upon Mayor Shlomo Lahat, who was also called to the scene, in Rehov Pumbedita, to order the water department workers to postpone the repair until after the Sabbath. Meanwhile, they turned off the water.

Namir said that if the religious public expects the non-religious majority to show it understanding and tolerance, it must observe fair play.

Aloni said that the Knesset should perhaps lay down rules about what work is permissible on the Sabbath. She is opposed to all limitations, she said, but they might be the price for peaceful co-existence. What cannot be tolerated is the changing of social norms by hooliganism, she said.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg said that the "bulldozers and compressors" had arrived when afternoon prayers were in progress at the yeshiva, and he assumed that this "did not exactly arouse excessive enthusiasm." He also had no doubt that if Rabbi Goren had thought *pikuah nefesh* (the saving of life) was involved, he would have ordered that everything necessary be done to remove the danger.

Burg said that he "personally" was in favour of a full debate of the subject in the House. But he did not put this in the form of a motion, saying that "the coalition can do what it likes."

Shlomo Hillel (Alignment) moved that Namir's motion be referred to committee. Meir Pa'il (Shelli) moved that Aloni's motion be referred to committee, if her motion for a plenary debate should fail. Rabbi Kalman Kahana (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) moved that Namir's motion be rejected. And Dr. Zerah Warhaftig (National Religious Party) moved that Aloni's motion be rejected.

By a vote of 32-31, Aloni's motion for a plenary debate was defeated. Rabbi Menahem Hacohen (Alignment) voted with the coalition majority, and Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin and David Golomb (both of the Democratic Movement for Change) voted with the opposition.

The motion to refer Namir's motion to committee was defeated, 38-34, by the same party division.

More evening newspapers demanded for soldiers

Post Knesset Reporter

The Defence Ministry wants to distribute more evening papers among soldiers, and fewer morning papers, while keeping the total number distributed — 12,450 — the same.

Deputy Defence Minister Mordechai Zipori this week presented a redistribution proposal to a special subcommittee of the Finance Committee which may reach a decision this morning.

Zipori said circulation figures as well *as readership surveys prove* that more Israelis — especially soldiers — prefer the evening papers now than the last time the Defence Ministry fixed its newspaper allocation.

The ministry apparently does not regard *The Jerusalem Post* as a legitimate newspaper for purposes of distribution to soldiers, however. A mere 120 are distributed in the entire Israel Defence Forces.

Zipori said that the Histadrut (Labour-controlled) daily "Davar," which has a circulation of 32,000, should get 8.2 per cent of the total IDF distribution, and not 27 per cent, as heretofore; the two evening papers, "Ma'ariv" and "Yediot Aharonot," with a circulation of 141,000 each, should each get 36.1 per cent of the IDF distribution, and not 20 per cent; "Ha'aretz," with 51,000, should get 13 per cent, and not 20 per cent; "Al Hamishmar," with 17,000, should get 4.3 per cent, and not 7 per cent; "Hatzofeh," with 9,000 should get 2.3 per cent, and not 6 per cent.

The Defence Ministry does not take account of circulation when it comes to giving soldiers *The Post*, "Hamodia" (110 copies), "She'arim" (70), "Omer" (400), and "Al-Anba" (70). *The Post* circulation on weekdays is 30,000 and on Fridays 45,000.

CORRECTION

The new hours for the USIS cultural centre library on Rehov Keren Hayesod in Jerusalem as of this week are Sunday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. for general use; and Sunday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fridays from 8 a.m. to noon for reference and resource services.

50% increase in TV-radio fee asked by authority

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Broadcasting Authority Executive is asking the Knesset for a 50 per cent rise in its television and radio licence fees, arguing that audiences in most European countries pay up to twice as much as the suggested rate.

The Knesset Finance Committee will soon discuss the authority's request for a IL600 joint TV-radio licence and IL170 for a radio licence. With more money coming in from a bigger fee and more intensive collections, the authority hopes to cover its IL643m. budget for 1978/79 — which is 42 per cent bigger than this year's.

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer, who is responsible for implementing the Broadcasting Law, has already voiced his opposition to such a steep hike in the fees. The minister argued that the rise would be an unfair burden on the disadvantaged. In collaboration with the treasury and the National Insurance Institute, the authority recently exempted recipients of National Insurance income maintenance payments from the second half of the licence fee. However, broadcasting officials admit that this is not a sacrifice on their part. The offer of such a bargain, they say, is likely to induce more of the welfare recipients to pay the first half of their bills.

The authority has publicized a table of TV-radio licence fees in various European countries in 1976, illustrating the "low" rate currently charged by Israel for the use of sets. Norway tops the list with a fee equivalent to IL1,080, followed by IL1,030 in Denmark, IL920 in Germany and Finland and IL909 in Switzerland. It does not, however, mention that Israel TV offers fewer broadcasting hours or that Israelis earn smaller salaries.

'Ha'aretz' will bring underworld witnesses in Mizrahi libel suit

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A District Court judge here yesterday turned down a request by the attorney representing "Ha'aretz" in hotelier Bezalel Mizrahi's IL10m. libel suit against the newspaper to hold the hearings at long intervals so that the defence could produce underworld witnesses to back their claims.

Mizrahi is suing reporter Avi Valentin and "Ha'aretz" for a series of articles in which Valentin alleged that Mizrahi was a leader of organized crime in the country.

In yesterday's session at the District Court Mizrahi's attorney, Ram Caspi, asked the judge to hear the case daily, with as much evidence as possible submitted by affidavit and not by personal appearances.

"Ha'aretz's" counsel said he plans to use testimony from scores of witnesses to prove that Valentin's allegations are true. Several of these, he said, would testify of their own free will; but others, who are members of the underworld, might not turn up in court. He asked the judge to subpoena reluctant witnesses and to impose jail terms on those witnesses who appear in court but refuse to testify.

The defence objected to Caspi's demand that the hearings be heard daily, saying the police would need time between each session to deliver subpoenas and find underworld witnesses.

Judge Shulamit Wallenstein set nine dates for hearings between May 30 and June 19 and said any additional hearings would be held daily after that.

Dan seeks order against Egged

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Dan bus cooperative yesterday asked the District Court here to issue an injunction forbidding Egged buses to ply Dan routes in Holon and Bat Yam. The request will be heard on Sunday.

This is the latest round in the Egged-Dan war over the lucrative No. 1 and 2 lines in Holon and the 42 and 44 lines in Bat Yam.

In its appeal to the court, the Dan cooperative noted that it had received exclusive franchises to operate the lines, which were started a year ago. Dan charges that Egged is now trespassing on its routes, and has asked that Egged be ordered to desist from picking up passengers at its bus stops.

Dan took this step following a statement on Tuesday by the Controller of Road Transport to the effect that Dan indeed possesses the sole franchise to operate the lines. He called on Egged to "respect the law."

RAMAT HASHARON'S first community centre will open in May, according to an agreement reached between the local council and the Association of Community Centres. The centre will be situated near the "Sharonit" swimming pool, which is part of the planned centre.

A THIEF or thieves who hang around Hebrew University libraries in Jerusalem recently stole bags containing passports, chequebooks and other valuables, while students were absorbed in their books, Itim reported yesterday.

Knesset committee may probe Biton antics

Post Knesset Reporter

What sort of things can a Knesset member do and get away with?

This question may soon be answered by the House Committee, following various escapades by Black Panther MK Charlie Biton (Democratic Front for Peace and Equality).

House Committee chairman Yitzhak Berman told his body yesterday that the time had come to *decide whether MKs* who break rules should be penalized.

Berman said he had received comments recently from private citizens about Knesset members' irregular behaviour. He did not mention Biton by name or by faction, but he listed three incidents in which Biton played a key role: causing a disturbance at a session of the Interior Committee; carrying out surreptitious tape recordings; and breaking and entering a private institution — the Beit Tina home for retarded children — by force.

Four members of the House Committee had already demanded action on such irregularities, Berman said: Hillel Seidel, Amnon Linn and Avraham Sharir, all of the Likud, and Tamar Eshel of the Alignment. The problem can no longer be put off, he said, and so the House Committee will tackle it next week.

Commenting on Berman's announcement, Biton said he had heard that one idea was to empower the Knesset Guards to carry out body searches of Knesset members on entering the building.

"If they want to search me I'll make sure they search everyone else including Premier Menahem Begin himself," Biton said. "I won't allow them to get away with discriminatory practices."

Biton said that in circumstances such as the entry into Beit Tina he felt his action was fully justifiable. "If there's a penalty for that sort of thing I'm quite willing to accept the penalty. It won't deter me," he said.

"One thing I won't let them do here is treat me like the 'bad boy' of the Knesset," he said.

Biton said he enjoys an excellent relationship with most Knesset members, including right-wingers and coalition figures who hold diametrically opposed political views. "But there are one or two who talk as if they want to get me," he grumbled.

Sharon warns kibbutzim of end to special water privileges

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Reporter

Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon said yesterday that he would stop certain farmers in various parts of Israel from getting more water than others and at cheaper prices.

Sharon was referring to the kibbutzim in areas such as Upper Galilee and the Beit She'an Valley — though he did not mention them specifically. (These kibbutzim pioneered those regions and developed their water resources alone for many years.)

"I shall put an end to their historical privileges and their rights of possession," Sharon told the Knesset Economic Committee, which was discussing water development policy with him and his new water commissioner, Meir Ben-Meir.

The water-subsidy allocation for the small number of farmers still entitled to it, mainly in border outposts and in settlements using desalinated water, will be cut in the coming budget from IL200m. to IL140m., Sharon said. Apart from these subsidized consumers, all other farmers and all other consumers generally will pay the real cost of the water they get, he said.

Last month, when all water rates were raised, Sharon failed to persuade the Knesset to make farmers pay as much as he wanted, because the farm bloc runs across party lines and the Likud majority did not avail the minister.

Sharon is himself straightening out a personal problem with Mekorot, the national water company, over the water bill for his own private 1,500-dunam farm in the South.

Sharon is still in the process of leasing his farm to someone else as he must do under the new rules for ministers laid down by the cabinet and the attorney-general.

Gaza, West Bank offered health scheme

By ZVI ARENSTEIN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

GAZA. — Residents of the Gaza Strip and the West Bank will be offered a voluntary health insurance scheme as of February 1 by their respective military governments. This was announced here yesterday by Dr. Eli Lasch, Israeli chief of medical services in the Gaza Strip.

Residents of the Gaza Strip will pay as follows: a single person, IL50 a month; a family of two, IL60; larger families, IL70 a month. They will be required to buy "health stamps" at local post office branches.

*Dr. Lasch indicated that all in*come from the programme — which he predicted would be approximately IL10m. this year — would be used for development of health services in the strip. He said five new medical clinics will be built here, two of them in the city of Gaza. A new coronary care unit will be built at Gaza's Shifa Hospital at a cost of IL1m.

"We are continuing our work as usual to raise the level of health services in the Gaza strip. Whatever comes after the military government here we hope will be able to take advantage of our innovations," Dr. Lasch said.

Murder suspect freed on bail

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Avraham Zanko, the only suspect arrested so far in connection with last week's double-murder in Bat Yam, is out on IL3,000 bail after a lie-detector test substantiated his alibi.

Zanko was arrested last week after police identified his yellow Volkswagen as the car seen driving away from Bat Yam's Hof Hanechim beach shortly after Esther Ben-Muha and Arye Bar-Cohen were murdered there last Tuesday night. A further link was a personal classified advertisement Ben-Muha had once answered — as a result of which she made a date with Zanko which she never kept. He was remanded into custody for seven days by the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court last Friday.

The lie-detector test, however, bore out Zanko's claim that he was at home at the time of the murder. His release has left the police without a suspect.

Police have policy of mass arrests, attorney charges

Post Knesset Reporter

Police detained 33,000 people in 1976, but only 8,000 of them were charged because the police follow a policy of "indiscriminate mass arrests" which renders their own fight against crime less efficient.

This accusation was made in the Knesset Law Committee yesterday by Arye Marinsky, a representative of the Bar Association, who was invited for a discussion on the subject of police arrests.

Marinsky said: "There is not another enlightened democracy in the world which follows such a policy *of mass arrests of innocent people.* I have never heard of the police apologizing for arresting innocent citizens."

Committee chairman David Glass said the committee would discuss the possible infringement of citizens' rights.

Jewish cemetery found on Golan

KATZRIN. — An ancient Jewish cemetery was discovered two kilometres north of this new Golan development town during construction work on Monday, it was learned yesterday. A bulldozer engaged in the work uncovered two sarcophagi from the fourth century CE, one bearing the image of a menora and the Hebrew inscription "Shimon Bar-Avon, 26 years of age."

All work was stopped, and the chief archaeology officer for the Golan was examining the site yesterday. The extent of the cemetery is not yet known.

U.S. cruiser here on a six-day visit

HAIFA. — The U.S. Navy cruiser California arrived here yesterday for a six-day holiday and recreation visit as the guest of the Israel Navy. The ship, which is part of the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean, operates by atomic energy.

The crew of 36 officers and 500 seamen will tour the country and participate in sports events.

The Jerusalem Khan Israel Broadcasting Authority

Weekly Chamber Concert

at the Jerusalem Khan, Sunday, January 15, 1978, at 8.30 p.m.

The Beersheba Orchestra

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— From Cantata No. 21
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— From Cantata No. 156
Soloist: Ronal Richards, horn
— *From Cantata No. 42*
Soloists: Haim Yuval, oboe; Ronal Richards, oboe; Uri Tzur, bassoon
— *Two Baroque Sonatas by Soler and Scarlatti,* for castanets and orchestra
— *Albeniz:* 1. Sevilla, 2. Castilla
— *Mozart:* Symphony No. 33 in B Flat Major, K: 319

Jerusalem Municipality

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Inoculation of dogs and issuance of dog licences is carried out at the Veterinary Service, 56 Rehov Ussishkin, Jerusalem (Tel. 228257) and by private veterinarians.

Jewish Chaplain and family presently stationed in West Germany interested in spending some time in the coming summer in Israel (preferably on a moshav or a kibbutz) with view to aliya.

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Please contact Chaplain Aaron D. Michelson, 42 Westfalen St. Apt. A., Ankamm, 6206 Wiesbaden, West Germany.

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A reduced tariff has been introduced for calls to Iran.
The rate is IL27.00 per minute, and it applies continuously: from 9.00 p.m. on Friday until 8.00 a.m. on Sunday. During the rest of the week, this rate applies from 9.00 p.m. until 8.00 a.m. the next morning.

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Cambodia claims Vietnam using 'hundreds of Soviet tanks' in attacks

HONG KONG. — Cambodia accused Vietnam yesterday of using "hundreds of Soviet tanks" in the current border war between the two countries.

Official Radio Phnom Penh also said Vietnamese forces had moved 30 km. into Cambodian territory.

But the broadcast claimed "a great victory" over the Vietnamese.

The editorial comment disregarded Vietnam's claims of self-defence, comparing them with those of its former archenemy, the U.S.

"Naturally, an aggressor will never concede that he is an aggressor," the broadcast said. "He unfailingly claims self-defence. This is the way U.S. imperialism acted when it crossed the Pacific to encroach on Cambodia" in 1970, the broadcast added.

"Aggressor Vietnam used hundreds of Soviet tanks, hundreds of artillery pieces and several army divisions to break through the thin defence line of the Cambodian Revolutionary Army that Cambodia had left as a token force to defend its border," the broadcast said.

But meanwhile there was no fresh information here to indicate any change in the military situation on the battle front, which stretches nearly 300 km. from the coastal border up to the Snuol area of Cambodia on the border east of Phnom Penh.

Diplomatic and military sources said the Vietnamese appeared to have won control of as much border territory as they need to achieve what is believed to be their aim — consolidation of a border line secure from Cambodian incursions in future.

The sources said that on the basis of intelligence reports there was no sign that the Vietnamese had taken major Cambodian towns or that they had crossed the Mekong River, which would indicate an intention to take Phnom Penh.

The heaviest fighting, believed to have resulted in large Cambodian losses, has been in the Parrot's Beak area, midway between Phnom Penh and Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon). The area is now believed to be largely in Vietnamese hands.

One diplomat said he foresaw a protracted propaganda war between Cambodia and Vietnam. (UPI, Reuter)

Italian government divided in face of Communist drive

ROME (UPI). — The Communist Party's drive to topple Premier Giulio Andreotti's Washington-backed government and gain direct governing power in the next cabinet opened bitter splits yesterday in the ruling Christian Democratic Party.

As Andreotti's party directorate met to plot its response to Communist demands for more say in governing Italy, 98 deputies — 37 per cent — of the Christian Democratic Party's 262 representatives in the lower house of parliament signed a letter rejecting any deal whatsoever with the Marxists.

The dispute centred on a compromise proposal that would allow the Communists to vote with the governing majority in parliament but would maintain the 30-year ban on giving Communists seats in the cabinet.

A party faction led by party secretary Benigno Zaccagnini and former premier Aldo Moro was leaning toward reaching an accomodation with the Communists, politicians said.

Andreotti, with the encouragement of U.S. officials in Washington and Rome, has so far rejected any compromises, vowing to keep his minority cabinet in office until it is brought down by a showdown vote in parliament.

U.S. officials have expressed concern that any compromise with the Communists would represent a weakening of Christian Democratic resolve to resist Marxist power manoeuvres and would be a major turn to the left in Italian politics.

In Washington, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and some of his top experts conferred yesterday with U.S. Ambassador to Italy Richard Gardner about the government crisis.

White House officials said Gardner was expected to see President Carter about the situation shortly.

Nationwide violence by extremists of the left and right is meanwhile compounding the political crisis in Italy. Hundreds of young rightists and leftists battled police on Tuesday night in the same Rome neighbourhood where two neo-Fascist youths were killed in an ambush on Saturday and a third suffered fatal head wounds in a gun battle with police. Two policemen suffered minor injuries in the fighting.

LENIN — The mausoleum of Vladimir Lenin, founder of the Soviet state, will be reopened to the public today after a two-month closure for running repairs, the Tass news agency announced yesterday.

Salk working on drug for multiple sclerosis

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has given permission for Dr. Jonas Salk, developer of the first polio vaccine, to conduct human tests on a drug which might arrest multiple sclerosis.

An FDA spokesman said the new tests had been approved after the government agency received the results of extensive tests by Salk of a drug aimed at curing a disease in animals which is similar in some ways to multiple sclerosis.

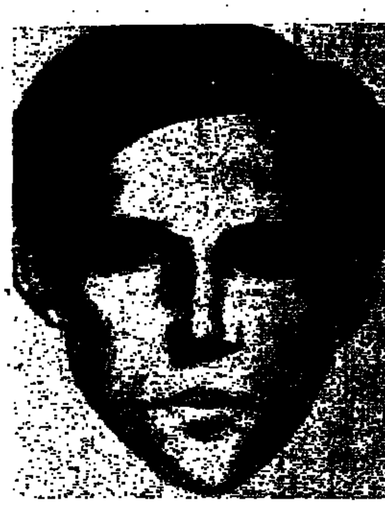
Salk, in a statement released in La Jolla, California, cautioned that he knows of no cure for multiple sclerosis, the chronic and crippling disease of the central nervous system which is believed to strike one in every 20,000 Americans.

Indonesian rebels sought arms from Libya

JAKARTA (Reuter). — An Indonesian rebel Moslem leader sought money and arms from Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi to fight for an independent Islamic state of Aceh, in north Sumatra, it was alleged at an Indonesian subversion trial.

A witness said at the trial in Medan, north Sumatra, yesterday that Daud Beureuh, one-time leader of the banned Darul Islam movement in Aceh, wrote to Colonel Gaddafi asking for $12m. and weapons, the daily "Kampos" reported here yesterday.

Artist's portrait of Hammami killer



LONDON (AP). — An artist's impression of a man sought in the assassination of Said Hammami, London representative of the *Palestine Liberation Organization*, was issued yesterday by Scotland Yard.

The picture (above) was shown by detectives to passers-by during a reconstruction of the crime in Green Street, Mayfair, where Hammami was shot to death in his office on Wednesday last week.

The gunman escaped, after being chased by a number of Arabs who were in the building.

Police earlier issued a photofit picture of the man they want to question.

Basques, policemen killed in gunfight

MADRID (UPI). — Two suspected Basque terrorists and a policeman died yesterday in a shootout during a police roundup of separatists in the northern town of Pamplona, the national news agency Cifra said.

The roundup followed bomb and gun attacks by Basque separatists on three police stations in the Basque region on Saturday, one of them in Pamplona. Two policemen and one terrorist were injured in these attacks.

Last week, the government of Premier Adolfo Suarez granted provisional autonomy to the Basques. Extremist groups immediately rejected the autonomy statute for not going far enough and demanded the withdrawal of all national forces from the Basque region as a first step towards self-rule.

Bitter cold across U.S. freezes coal, slows clocks

NEW YORK. — Arctic weather gripping large areas of the U.S. has caused more than 20 deaths, and the weathermen say that more cold weather is on the way. Clocks ran slow and coal piles froze because of the cold.

The chilling temperatures even spread into the Deep South, including Florida, where the temperature at Palm Beach fell to 3 degrees centigrade at one point on Tuesday. Citrus farmers in Northern Florida, where temperatures fell below freezing, used oil stoves to save their trees.

Temperatures in other cities in the so-called sun belt, such as Atlanta, Georgia; Louisville, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee; and Fort Worth, Texas, went minus-7 and below.

Schools have been closed in many Middle West and Northeast communities because of the high winds, snow and low temperatures. Two utility companies serving Columbus and Toledo in Ohio said power shortages there were critical because coal stocks had frozen. A power consortium in Pennsylvania, Maryland and New Jersey sent power to other systems from Virginia to Michigan.

Power reductions after demand for heat and light drained utilities caused lights to dim and electric clocks to run an average of 27.7 seconds slow, said Commonwealth Edison engineers in Chicago.

Fourteen of the weather-related deaths were reported from Ohio.

In Ontario Tuesday, motorists were stranded; schools, businesses and highways were closed; and flights were cancelled because of a vicious storm. Metropolitan Toronto escaped the brunt of the weather.

Meanwhile, the World Health Organization in Geneva reported that the new influenza virus known as Russian flu is likely to cause epidemics around the world in coming years. A meeting of experts convened by WHO also warned that present vaccines won't provide protection against the new virus which caused flu outbreaks in the Soviet Union and Hongkong in December. Later outbreaks occurred in Finland, Czechoslovakia and China. (Reuter, AP, UPI)

Nicaraguans mourn dissident editor murdered in Managua

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP). — A mammoth outpouring of mourners yesterday honoured newspaper editor Pedro Joaquin Chamorro, a leading critic of the Somoza dictatorship, who was assassinated in a hail of machinegun and rifle fire in downtown Managua on Tuesday.

A crowd of 50,000 amassed in front of Chamorro's home to file past his glass-topped coffin after a midnight mass in a park across the street.

The body of the 53-year-old editor, wounded 22 times in the face, chest, arms and throat, was to be taken to the headquarters of the anti-Somoza Democratic Union of Liberation, to the journalists union and then to his newspaper, "La Prensa," to lie in state.

A spokesman for President Anastasio Somoza, whose family has controlled Nicaragua since 1933, deplored the killing. The dictator was asked by an interviewer whether the government might have been involved and replied: "I've had Chamorro under custody in many cases when he could have lost his life. ...It has come as a complete surprise to me and to all of Nicaragua."

A member of one of Nicaragua's leading families, the journalist had been imprisoned in the past for his opposition to the Somozas. Three years ago a court cancelled his political rights after he urged voters to boycott Somoza's last presidential election.

A long-time director of the Inter-American Press Association, he was a staunch defender of press freedom. Last year, Columbia University gave him its Maria Moors Cabot Award for his opposition "to the tyranny in Nicaragua."

White-black 'harmony' bid found unpopular in Rhodesia

SALISBURY. — "Harmony," a white advertising campaign designed to improve race relations in embattled Rhodesia, has died a slow death, its sponsors announced yesterday.

Michael Hogg, head of a Salisbury advertising agency which launched the campaign in a fanfare of publicity last September, said it has been scrapped because of lack of support.

"A lot of people had been politically petrified by the scheme," he told reporters. "I am terribly disappointed. I thought the campaign was right, desirable and very opportune."

The slick, western-style campaign, backed by five major Rhodesian business organizations who put up 25,000 Rhodesian dollars (about IL750,000) for television, press and radio slogans, said: "You don't have to suddenly love your neighbours — just understand him."

But the scheme required a further 25,000 Rhodesian dollars to carry it past the first stage; and, said Hogg, "the response was terribly sad."

The demise of "Harmony" came as a censored report in the "Rhodesia Herald" said that Rhodesian security forces had launched a "maximum effort" to track down the killers of four persons, including an invalid grandmother and two teenaged boys, who were gunned down by black nationalist guerrillas on Monday night on a farm about 80 kilometres southwest of here. (Reuter, AP)

Rock musician turns pied piper

HIPASS, California (AP). — A sound so shrill it drives rodents wild, kills cockroaches and sends fleas flying is whistling up a fortune for Bob Brown, a polio-crippled former rock guitar player.

In his garage one day six years ago, Brown was putting together an electric guitar when he tangled some wires. He saw rats scattering. He crossed the wires and the rodents ran again.

Brown, 51, built what he called a Rat Repellant Box. Since then, 18,000 have been produced in Los Angeles and Tijuana, Mexico.

A chicken farmer north of San Diego, about 100 km. west of Hipass, bought the first one when "about 10,000 mice were bothering the chickens every night. It cleared his place in four or five days," Brown said.

The government of Venezuela recently ordered 300 to kill cockroaches in food stores in Caracas, and 1,000 were sent to Spanish granaries in Barcelona. Brown plans to fly to Brooklyn, New York, next Tuesday to talk to U.S. Housing and Urban Development Department officials about placing 9,000 units in low-rental apartments.

Brown, a native of Fairmont, Minnesota, said the frequency is "over a million cycles a second." The human ear can hear up to about 20,000 cycles.

Said Brown, who played with bands in Las Vegas: "Musicians know of the overtones, the harmonics, which is what excite rock musicians — the frequencies that go through your head and you don't even know what's doing it to you.

"We're jamming the sensory systems of rats, cockroaches and even ants. We've got a vibration high enough to jam 'em like a foreign broadcaster jams our radio."

Brown said the net profits of his Amigo Ecology Corp. were about $800,000 last year and the gross "about a million and a half."

U.S. PTA commission on TV violence hears Israeli, other foreign reports

WASHINGTON (AP). — The national Parent Teachers Association's (PTA) TV commission, which is trying to drive violence off U.S. television screens, heard a Mexican witness testify on Tuesday that her country doesn't produce violent programmes and kicks off the air U.S. programmes it considers too violent.

Yolanda Sanchez, correspondent here for the Mexican network Televisa, was one of six witnesses, including one from Israel, who told the PTA commission how television operates in their countries. Others were from Sweden, France, Thailand and Japan.

Grace Bassinger, national president of the PTA, said that since the U.S. exports $200m. in TV programmes each year, and there have been so many complaints from abroad, the PTA wanted to hear about the problems of those countries.

Sanchez said Mexico doesn't "have the economic capacity or the technological means" to produce violent programmes, and "moral standards are more easily kept in a society like Mexico where there is a predominant religion — Catholic."

Shmuel Shay of the Israel Aliya Centre here said Israeli broadcasting is still restricted to "one channel, broadcasting in black and white, without commercials, five hours a day....It is very much up to the parents and the atmosphere created in the home to regulate the use of TV."

But he said there is an ongoing debate in Israel about the influence of TV on youth and children, "and there were some cases of juvenile crime which were clearly inspired by some of the violent scenes" in U.S. programmes.

Saudis outlaw 'influence peddling'

By RICHARD HARWOOD
Washington Post News Service

RIYADH. — The Saudi Arabian government announced on Tuesday a decree that outlaws influence peddling in government contracts.

The decree also restricts the activities and fees of contract agents who represent foreign businesses in their dealings with the Saudi government.

Among those affected by the decree will be 30 to 40 members of the royal family and other prominent Saudis who have made hundreds of millions of dollars as go-betweens for American and other foreign corporations involved in the $142,000m. development plan now under way here, and other foreign business transactions.

The announcement was made by Ghazi al-Qusaybi, the minister of industry and electricity. He said the curbs on influence peddling and middleman activities follow the general recommendations made by a U.S. Senate subcommittee that investigated bribes and agent commissions paid overseas by U.S. corporations.

The six-point decree prohibits influence peddling with any government agency, limits agent fees to 5 per cent of the contract price, bars the use of non-Saudi agents, prohibits any agent from representing more than 10 companies, and prohibits agent fees on any contract involving military equipment and facilities and on any government-to-government transaction.

The new system will also require that the names of middlemen be included in all contract proposals and that all middlemen or agents, including members of the royal family, list their clients in public registers.

Wusaybi said the decree will eliminate much of the corruption involved in contracting here "if foreign businesses will cooperate."

He did not name any of the royal family members affected, but one of the sons of Crown Prince Fahd was involved in a spectacular case recently. He represented Phillips Netherlands, a huge Dutch electronics firm, in negotiations for a contract to modernize the telephone system of Saudi Arabia. Phillips came in with a $6,000m. proposal. The government then announced that Phillips would get the contract without competitive bidding.

This decision created great controversy and was later rescinded.

Maidanek suspect from U.S. out on bail

DUESSELDORF, West Germany (AP). — War-crimes suspect Hermine Braunsteiner-Ryan, jailed for alleged attempts to influence a Polish witness, was released on bail on Tuesday, the 222th day in the "Maidanek trial."

The Austrian-born Ryan, 58, is one of five women and nine men charged with murder in the mass shootings, fatal whippings, gassings, hangings and deadly injections of inmates at the concentration camp in Lublin, Poland, during World War II. At least 250,0000 men, women and children — most of them Polish Jews — perished there in 1941-1944.

Ryan is the first American resident to be turned over to German authorities for war-crimes prosecution. She was extradited to West Germany in 1973 after surrendering her U.S. citizenship, which she had obtained by concealing her Nazi past.

Ryan was the only defendant still in jail when the trial began on November 26, 1975. She was freed four months later on $17,000 bail provided by her husband, Russell, an electrical technician from New York.

The court ordered Ryan back to jail after a pause in the trial during which it was alleged that she tried to influence a Polish witness. A complaint by her defence lawyer caused the court to withdraw the order.

The court, in withdrawing the jail order, argued that Ryan had acted emotionally and it was unlikely she would try to escape.

S. Korean will tell about payoffs in U.S. Congress

SEOUL (Reuter). — South Korean businessman Tongsun Park yesterday signed an undertaking to testify in any U.S. trials arising from alleged Korean influence buying in the U.S. Congress.

This followed an agreement between the U.S. and South Korean governments last month under which a U.S. grand jury indictment against Park on 34 counts of bribery, fraud and other charges would be dismissed if he agreed to give evidence.

Park's interrogation was due to begin tomorrow in the presence of two U.S. Congress observers who arrived in Seoul. About 20 former and present congressmen have acknowledged that they received money or other gifts from Park, but they denied any wrongdoing. (Reuter, AP)

'All is well' with Lebanon's censor

BEIRUT (AP). — Lebanon's only English-language newspaper, "Ike," hit the newsstands on Tuesday with a 60-line editorial that repeated "all is well" 144 times.

"It is a protest against government censorship," said an editor of the independent daily, the name of which is the Armenian word for dawn. "We're fed up. One year is more than enough."

Censorship was imposed shortly after a Syrian-dominated Arab League peace-keeping army invaded Lebanon to halt the nation's 19-month civil war in November 1976. Lebanon had the only free press in the Arab world before the civil war.

Inflation hikes cost of U.S. census

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Census Bureau, which spent about one dollar per American in compiling the 1970 census, says it will spend more than four times that amount for the 1980 survey.

Inflation and a larger population can be blamed for part of the increased costs, bureau dirctor Manuel Plotkin says. But another reason is that the bureau is making a special effort to reach groups such as the poor and minorities which have been undercounted in the past.

Syria budgets more for 'sacred mission'

DAMASCUS (AP). — Syrian Premier Abdul Rahman Khleifawi announced yesterday that the defence allocation in the 1978 budget had been increased by 10 per cent, to $1.1 billion, just under a quarter of total expenditure, "to allow our armed forces to meet their sacred mission."

Presenting the new budget to parliament, Khleifawi said total expenditure amounts to $4.550 billion, compared to $4.26 billion in 1977.

Moroccans complain about torture

LAUSANNE (AP). — Moroccan students here have charged that torture and assassination are now "general practice" in their country.

The association of Moroccan students in Switzerland said it has sent a petition, apparently signed by over 1,000 French-speaking Swiss citizens, to the UN European headquarters in Geneva calling for a UN mission to visit Morocco to "ascertain the force of political repression" there.

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French politicians come out fighting before the bell for elections rings

PARIS LETTER / Jack Maurice

PARIS. — The French general election campaign is now under way, several weeks before the official starting signal, with the publication by the major parties of their campaign programmes and strategy.

The Communists have announced they will enter the fray alone, leaving their alliance with the Socialists in tatters and at the risk of tempting many disillusioned left-wing sympathizers into abstaining or voting for the centre or even the right.

Meanwhile, the Socialists are rivalling the government in offering higher wages and lower taxes as a bait to the floating vote.

President Valery Giscard d'Estaing has not yet stepped down from his pedestal as a national arbiter and urged the nation to vote for his supporters. But he is scheduled to do precisely this during a TV speech from a Burgundy wine-producing village within a few days.

Few doubts remain about the prospects of survival for the Common Programme, drafted five years ago by the Communists and Socialists as a joint election platform. The two parties split openly in September over the key issues of nationalization and defence. This disagreement will now be embodied in two conflicting versions of the programme, one Socialist and the other Communist, which are to be published as election manifestos before the end of January.

The Communists revealed their strategy in a speech by Secretary-General George Marchais, which makes clear that their priority is to mark up a respectable voting score at the polls, not to bring a left-wing coalition into office.

Marchais told a party conference: "We will not exchange our efforts on behalf of the people for a mess of pottage in the form of a share of ministerial posts."

He insisted that the Communists will not accept any portfolios unless they obtain 25 per cent in the first round of voting on March 12.

The latest public opinion polls estimate the Communists' share as only 21 per cent. By setting 25 per cent as the minimum he would accept, Marchais is calling on his supporters to ensure that they emerge from the election as the Socialists' equals.

A benediction and a boycott: Francois Mitterrand, left, and Jacques Chirac. (Unipix)

But, even without Communist backing, Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand has not lost hope of becoming France's next prime minister. Giscard is reported to be toying with a scheme to appoint Mitterrand as premier of a centre-left team.

This theory is supported by the benediction which President Carter gave to Mitterrand in Paris last week, when he publicly described the Socialist leader's political role as "good and beneficial."

Carter also received Mitterrand privately for half an hour. This privilege was not shared by Gaullist leader Jacques Chirac who, arguing that it was a matter of courtesy for a visiting head of state to meet the mayor of Paris, boycotted the ceremonies for the U.S. president's visit.

The Communists are furious that Giscard has found an ally in Carter for his efforts to split the Socialists from the Communists and to bring them into a new parliamentary majority from which the extreme wing of the Gaullist party would be eliminated.

BOTH SOCIALISTS and Communists say they are ready to resume talks on mending their alliance — provided the other party is the first to make concessions. This prospect is increasingly improbable as the opening of the election campaign comes closer.

Francois Mitterrand has reduced the likelihood of a new left-wing pact by reaffirming that France should remain a member of the Atlantic alliance, but without rejoining its military structure. De Gaulle marched France out of Nato in 1966, and no French politician who cares about gathering votes has since dared advocate a return to the American fold.

PREMIER Raymond Barre has firmly assumed responsibility for leading the government majority into the election fray in a much publicized speech at Blois in the Loire Valley.

A few days earlier, Barre had mocked Mitterrand for proposing to raise the minimum legal monthly wage to 2,400 francs (IL7,800) a month. The premier said such a move would drive thousands of small business firms to bankruptcy.

But, in his platform address at Blois, the prime minister who has always protested his contempt for vote-catching gimmicks, promised to double maternity leave for working mothers from three months to six.

Barre also announced for old folk a daily pension of $9 in 1979. A 38-hour working week for miners and other workers in arduous jobs, and a tax freeze spanning the next two years.

In order to reassure the more conservative voters, Barre said 10,000 more policemen and gendarmes would be recruited as a guarantee of law and order.

IN OFFERING these enticements, Barre has gone far to meet the taunts of Chirac, who argues that the premier is so involved in economics that he has forgotten the most urgent objective for the majority is to win the election.

Chirac is counting on his well-oiled electoral machine and his aura as the political heir of General de Gaulle and President Georges Pompidou to rally massive support for his own party, the Rassemblement Pour la Republique. The RPR is a much more dynamic organization than the Republican Party, which owes personal allegiance to the president.

Giscard has staunchly refused to recognize Chirac as leader of the majority, and insists this is the role of the prime minister. In spite of a recent meeting between Giscard and Chirac, who was Giscard's premier until he resigned in August 1976, they remain rivals.

Chirac knows he has little chance of being appointed premier after the general election. But he has set his sights on the presidency for 1981.

With the French government belatedly supporting the efforts of Premier Menahem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat for a Middle East peace, the old issue of France's hostility to Israel is unlikely to be a factor at the polls in March.

The Jewish vote has never proved decisive in a French election. With no major issue at stake involving Israel's survival, this will be even more true when France's next parliament and government are chosen.

From left, Eitan Haber, Aviezer Golan, Dan Pattir, U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis, MK Abba Eban and former British Prime Minister Edward Heath.

The booming 'Begin industry'

PUBLIC FACES/Mark Segal

THE "BEGIN INDUSTRY" is forging ahead, with the curve on the output chart on the upswing. The reference is to the number of books about the Prime Minister about to burst onto the bookstalls.

Steimatzky's, the booksellers, have pre-emptied them all by bringing out a reprint of Shmuel Katz' English translation of Begin's autobiographical work "The Revolt," which has some rather turgid passages about his period as the IZL Supremo.

The first Begin biography due out will be by **Eitan Haber**, 37, military correspondent of "Yediot Aharonot" (previous books, "Entebbe Mission" and "Israel Security Lexicon"). The 400-page biography has been the subject of a race between Haber's Paris publisher, Stock, and his New York publisher, Dell. The French version is winning and will be out by the end of January, with the Americans coming out a month later. Discussions are apparently already under way with publishers in Italy and West Germany.

The Premier has appointed another member of "Yediot Aharonot's" staff, **Aviezer Golan**, as his official biographer. The veteran, now in his early 50s, is a lifelong Revisionist and thus ideologically and professionally suited for such hagiography.

While Haber's book, being the first on the market, is expected to be the most remunerative, with the international interest aroused by the intermittent Sadat-Begin Show, Golan's is to be a much longer work with an eye to "setting the record straight."

Yet another "Yediot" staffer, political correspondent **Shlomo Nakdimon**, has been working for some time on a book about the SS Altalena, the IZL ship bearing arms and fighters that almost caused a civil war here. As one of Begin's closest confidants from his days as a cub reporter at the old "Herut" daily, Nakdimon has access to new material that should rake up a few old fires.

For a while, it appeared that Nakdimon was about to become a newsmaker himself. Until **Dan Pattir** this week decided that he'd stay on as Premier Begin's press counsellor, Nakdimon was slated to take over from him in March. This also explains Nakdimon's presence on Begin's plane to Ismailiya, not among the newsmen but with the invited guests.

TALKING of autobiographies, that of former foreign minister **Abba Eban** has just come out — in New York (Random House) and London (Weidenfeld & Nicolson). Part of its 500-odd pages happily provide more of a human interest story than the author's neo-historical writings. We even learn that the little Aubrey's ambition was to be the man who operated the machinery that lowered and raised Tower Bridge, across which he used to cross daily en route to school.

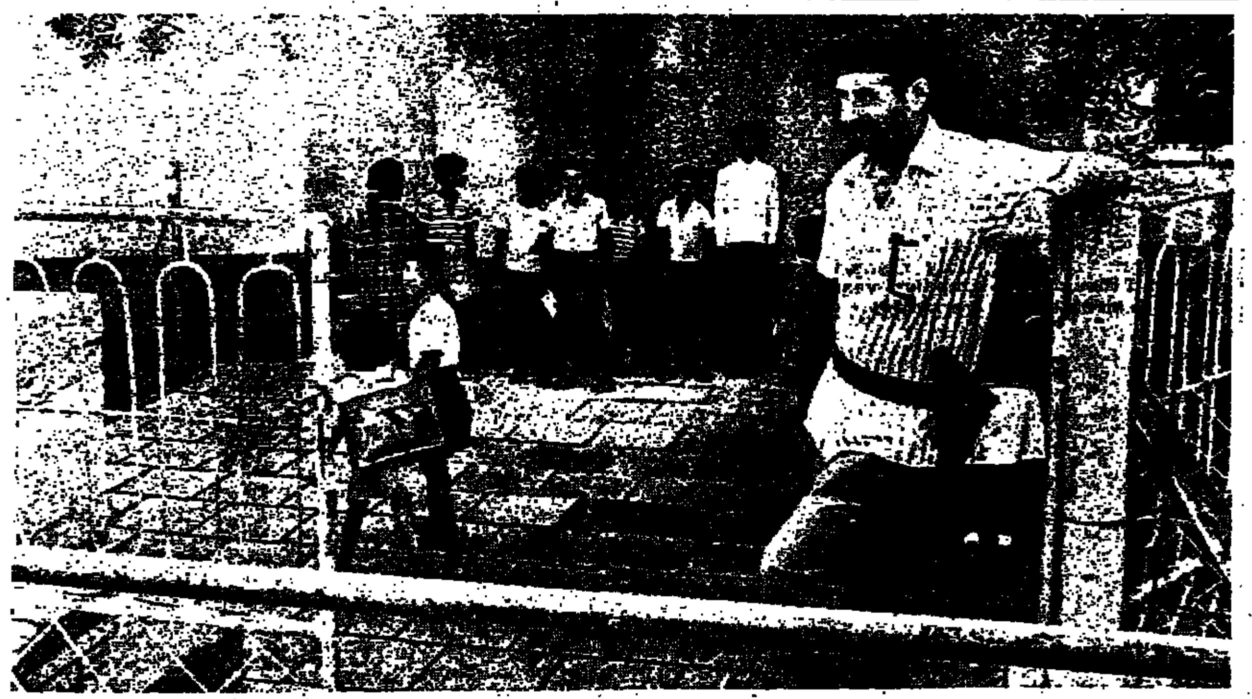
Eban, who excelled as a debater at the famous Cambridge (University) Union, relates how, when he appeared before the Council of Europe, the rather obtuse British delegate, Geoffrey de Freitas, commended "our distinguished observer from Israel" for his brilliant English delivery. Eban then proceeded to dazzle his audience with some verbal pyrotechnics in French.

AS EVERYONE should know by now, the Premier's best diplomatic pal is U.S. Ambassador **Samuel Lewis**. On enquiry, one learns about qualities they have in common, such as a flair for dramatics. One need only see how they perform like any old hands in show business when they hug and kiss before the TV cameras.

Lewis and his wife, **Sally**, were quite an active Washington couple, and both devote their leisure time to the theatre. One of Lewis' favourite roles, an Embassy source told me, is the lion in Shaw's "Androcles and the Lion." Mrs. Lewis acted professionally for some years in repertory companies in Houston and Princeton.

The Lewises are far from the usual staidness associated with State Department couples, and have opened up the ambassadorial residence to the performing arts. One of the highlights of their summer entertaining, in their grounds sloping down to the sea, was an evening devoted to visiting American jazzman **Stan Getz**, with His Excellency, in jeans and open shirt, enjoying himself as MC. Getz announced a new composition, "The Bagel Blues."

ONE VICTIM of the Sadat Festival was former British premier **Ted Heath**, reports of whose visit to Israel were swamped by the torrential coverage of the Sadat visit. Apart from being privileged to be almost the first foreign politician to learn from Premier Begin of the impending arrival of the Egyptian leader, Heath earned an unexpected accolade during a tour of Bar-Ilan University. Andre Hajdu of the Music Department hailed him as one of the tiny company of statesmen who were also musicians (Heath conducts orchestras and choirs and plays the organ in church) — naming him after King David, Richard Coeur de Lion and Paderewski...



A dad does his turn at guard duty. (S. Siegal)

Knitting and keeping the forces of evil at bay

By DOROTHEA SHEFFER/Special to The Jerusalem Post

THE POLICY of compulsory guard-duty by parents at their child's kindergarten is, we are told, to be re-appraised. Perhaps at last somebody up there has actually spent a morning carrying it out?

Anyone who has a child in a kindergarten in Israel dreads the day his turn comes round on the guard-duty roster. There's no getting out of it, as it is a criminal offence not to show up. The kindergarten has to be guarded every day so that Arafat and his henchmen will be unable to lay their dirty hands on our innocent children. From eight in the morning till the kindergarten ends, at noon or one o'clock, the parents take turns in keeping a vigilant eye on everyone approaching the gate or vicinity of the kindergarten.

Some mothers bring their babies. Some fathers come armed with weapons. Others apparently rely on the deterrent effect of a fierce glance. Veteran Civil Guard members have been known to take up their position outside the kindergarten wielding their trusty M1 rifles. This, of course, brings their children the approbation of all their young colleagues, a commendable achievement in itself. Most of the mothers who spend the morning guarding come unarmed. On a fine day, they may be seen balanced precariously on one of the small kindergarten chairs, knitting assiduously. Who can tell what contribution guard duty of this kind has made to increased wool-consumption in this country?

Once you get used to the idea that approximately once a month you will have to spend a whole morning (or part of it if your husband is prepared to share the burden) guarding the kindergarten, the duty becomes part of your way of life. You pray for fine weather and look forward to the opportunity to finish reading yesterday's paper or a book.

It's not all idle relaxation, however. You have to scrutinize the faces of all the passers-by from the lowly seat you occupy. Every car may be suspect. For at least three seconds, you force yourself to memorize the registration numbers of passing vehicles.

You pay closer attention to the people going by. The street belongs to housewives and pensioners in the morning. It is a golden opportunity to observe their daily routine. Occasionally an Arab family passes. You realize that you never see them wheeling a pram. Arab women invariably carry their children, the little babies swathed in blankets, the older ones clutched clumsily.

AT SOME point half-way through the morning, the children emerge from the building to spend an hour or two letting off steam. They scrabble in the sand, run around or play with old tyres. The one whose parent is on duty proudly points this out to all his friends and comes over to the gate to claim possession. Children normally sturdily independent suddenly want nothing else but to cling on to Mum. That's part of guard-duty, too.

The principle perk of being on guard-duty is the cup of tepid, over-sweet tea with which the teacher's assistant presents you when the children have their "elevenses" (at ten). This and a cream-cheese sandwich are the reward of the just.

The hours crawl past. At long last it's time to collect your little treasure and go home. It is hard to get used to being normal adult height again after having been scaled down to midget size for several hours. You take the chair back in, modestly accept the kindergarten teacher's benediction and trudge wearily home. Once again the forces of evil have been kept at bay by the undaunted courage of a Jewish mother.

CAMBODIA'S TRAGIC WAR WITH VIETNAM

Convincing illustration that hatreds die hard

LONDON (Ofns). — The heavy fighting between Cambodia and Vietnam is a tragic matter for two countries that have had their fill of warfare in the last few years. It is a convincing illustration of the power of national hatreds and grudges to overwhelm good sense and obvious human need.

The reports so far are all necessarily second-hand, but the Cambodians seem to have provoked the Vietnamese to their tough retaliation. This, however, is according to the Vietnamese, scarcely an impartial source. But if at first glance it seems ridiculous that a small country like Cambodia, exhausted socially and economically by a terrible war and an equally terrible revolution, should attack the militarily most powerful state in South-east Asia, history — and hundreds of years of it — suggests it is possible.

The Western habit of grouping together Vietnam and Cambodia (together with Laos) under the general name of Indochina is entirely misleading. It is hard to imagine two neighbouring peoples as different as the Vietnamese and Cambodians.

The Vietnamese are slight, of light colour, full of nervous energy. They are aggressive, have a great intellectual aptitude (as the West understands it) and are capable of enormous self-control. Although dislike for the Chinese is a national reflex they are obviously "Chinese" in their obsession with family, education and money.

The Khmers (to give the Cambodians their proper name) are heavier and darker and in the peaceful villages, until the war destroyed them, they seemed a dream-like people waiting to be discovered by a modern Gauguin. Most were and are peasants; old Phnom Penh was predominantly a Chinese and Vietnamese city. Khmers are usually quiet, unambitious. There was an old joke that if you give a Khmer peasant fertilizer he will use it to get the same crop from half the amount of tilled land instead of increasing his harvest. But they can be aroused beyond control and are then capable of great uncalculated savagery.

Their mother culture is Indian. They eat with their fingers (the Vietnamese, of course, use chopsticks) and their art and folklore are largely Indian-influenced.

By MARK FRANKLAND

THE PRESENT BORDER between Cambodia and Vietnam was frozen by French colonization in the last century, but for a long time before that it was always shifting as the Vietnamese pressed south from their home in the Red River delta.

The rhythm of history made the two peoples natural enemies. The great medieval Khmer kingdom, whose glory remains only in the temples of Angkor, was already collapsing from within when the Vietnamese were winding themselves up for their push south. By the time France stepped in they had taken the Mekong delta from the Khmers.

Cambodians, not surprisingly, have dreamed of getting back their "lost provinces." After Prince Norodom Sihanouk was overthrown in 1970 and Cambodia entered the war on the American side against the Communists, there were even hopes that these supposedly all-powerful new allies would help them. The best troops in the Cambodian army were in fact Khmers from Vietnam, trained earlier as irregulars by the Americans, and they naturally hoped to link Cambodians in Vietnam with the motherland.

But it was an ignorant dream, like much of what passed for thinking in Phnom Penh in the war years. The Vietnamese, in their war for independence, had by 1970 turned the Cambodian border into a valuable base area for their troops. Much of their supplies were shipped to the Cambodian port of Kompong Som, and then trucked (by companies owned by some associates of the new Khmer leader, Lon Nol) to the border.

SIHANOUK, a great realist who always understood his country's weak place in the Indochinese balance of power, tolerated the Vietnamese presence.

His successors could not understand that the Vietnamese Communists would not let the Cambodians get in the way of their fight against Washington and Saigon. One of the first acts of the Lon Nol regime was to organise a large pageant in Phnom Penh's Olympic Stadium, where thousands of people portrayed a fantasy of the Khmers chasing out the ignominious Vietnamese.

But all the Khmers achieved in fact were some massacres of the Vietnamese minority living in Cambodia, a cruelty that involuntarily expressed fear, not self-confidence. The Vietnamese Communists moved carefully at first: nothing would persuade them not to make use of Cambodian territory, though they understood the need to deal delicately with the Khmers. But as the war got worse, large parts of eastern Cambodia turned into a battleground, directly affecting the outcome of the Vietnam War, where Saigon's troops as well as the Communists fought without restrictions. The Cambodians simply lost control of large parts of their country.

The old hatreds, never forgotten, were deepened on both sides. The Communist link that in theory should have joined Khmers Rouge (the Cambodian revolutionaries) and Vietnamese Communists snapped. The Vietnamese Communists disapproved of Khmer Rouge methods. They certainly distrusted the Khmers and probably despised them. The two Communist armies fought plenty of skirmishes against each other even before the fall of Saigon.

Hanoi had trained a good many of the Cambodian Communist cadres. It had virtually brought up a batch of youngsters who left Cambodia in 1954, at the end of the French Indochina war. For this reason Western intelligence used to mark some of the senior Khmer Communists as "pro-Vietnamese." But when national interests came in conflict this brotherhood in Marx meant very little.

Although the odds are so heavily against the Cambodians (a nation of perhaps seven million against over 40 million Vietnamese), the impulse of the Cambodians to be self-righteously if unwisely prickly towards the Vietnamese will remain strong.

A refugee takes a meal. The picture was snapped in 1973 before the present Cambodia regime came into power and evicted the Western press. (Unipix)

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SOCCER PREVIEW/Jack Leon

Top schedule in J'lem

TEL AVIV. — Last Saturday's seven National League soccer matches produced a paltry eight goals, exactly the same number scored in just one English cup-tie played on the same day — the 4-4 draw between Bristol City and Wrexham.

Local fans deserve something better than this and it is hoped that the 13th round of National League games will show the desired improvement on Saturday. Liga Artzit players will be taking a rest then, to mark the completion of half of their 1977/78 fixture list.

Joint First Division leaders Jerusalem Betar and Netanya Maccabi both play in the capital, the former at home to Tel Aviv Hapoel and Netanya as guests of Jerusalem Hapoel.

Clubs playing at home are usually considered to start with a big advantage, but Jerusalem Betar, which have managed only one win at the YMCA ground, show good form away. Fast-improving Tel Aviv Hapoel have picked up five points from their last three outings, after floundering at the bottom a month ago with only three points from nine matches. Unless Betar can suddenly find inspiration, they might find themselves conceding yet another home point.

Middle-of-the-table Jerusalem Hapoel will be fully extended by Netanya Maccabi, which has already netted 22 goals, four more than any other club, with David Lavie scoring 11. He is at present the premier league's top scorer. A draw could also well be the outcome here.

Yehud Hapoel, the other main championship contenders, receive Hadera Hapoel, and appear to have an easier task than either of their rivals. But in their first season back in the National League, sixth-placed Hadera are proving an unpredictable combination, and anything is possible where they are concerned.

In a needle match at Bloomfield at 2 p.m., Tel Aviv Maccabi hosts Haifa Hapoel. Both sides have 14 points and the Haifaites have maintained their no.4 spot in the league for the past three weeks, after standing second to leaders Netanya Maccabi in mid-December. While the visitors have thus slipped a little, defending champions Tel Aviv Maccabi are climbing steadily up the table, and they ought to be good enough for two points.

In the cellar, Jaffa Maccabi entertain Acre Hapoel. Last week Jaffa scored a shock victory at Hadera, following the appointment of their former international Moshe Leon as temporary coach. Coincidentally, Acre this week appointed one of their players, Albert Edray as coach until they can find a replacement for Shimon Shinhar, who has just left the struggling club. Acre now hope that Edray will be able to repeat Leon's success and bring about a change in their fortunes, but the outcome here looks like being a home win for Jaffa.

In the remaining match Tel Aviv Betar look good for two points at the expense of hosts Ramat Gan Hakoah-Maccabi.

This week's Sportoto card is completed by League "A" Tzafon fixtures. It includes the derby between Bnei Nazareth Hapoel and Nazareth Hapoel Ilit, in which a draw seems probable.

Four punters from Haifa marked all 13 games correctly on last week's football coupon and the quartet share the first prize of IL1m. Sixty-four were right with 12 results, and each collect IL9,750. Another 800 were correct with 11 results, and the prize here is IL770 per person. Sportoto announced a minimum payout of IL3.5m. after this week's matches, with a top prize of IL2m.

Sportoto guide:

Tel Aviv Maccabi v Haifa Hapoel	1
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Jaffa Maccabi v Acre Hapoel	1
Yehud Hapoel v Hadera Hapoel	1
R. G. Hakoah-Mac. v Tel Aviv Betar	2
Bnei Nazareth Hap. v Nazareth Hap. Ilit	x
Hadera Maccabi v Afikim Hapoel	x
Nachliel Hapoel v Beit Sha'an Hapoel	x
Ra'anana Hapoel v Herzliya Maccabi	2
Tiberias Hapoel v Netanya Betar	1
Kfar Shmona Hap. v Nahariya Hapoel	x

Denver, Dallas in Super Bowl on Sunday

NEW ORLEANS (AP). — The highly touted defensive units of the Denver Broncos and the Dallas Cowboys will be the centre of attention in the Super Bowl on Sunday when the Broncos, champions of the American Conference, collide with the Cowboys, kingpins of the National Conference.

Neither team's defence is simple, but both are very effective.

The anchor in Denver's defence is nose guard Rubin Carter, who is flanked by Lyle Alzado at one end and veteran Barney Chavous at the other.

Linebacker Tom Jackson said, "Our defence is based on three linemen pressuring the quarterback and controlling the running game. That makes it three against five, or six, or even seven; and that's tough."

Alzado said the linebackers spell the success or failure of the Denver 3-4 defence.

"It is predicated on the linebackers," he said. "I don't like it, but it's been successful for us. It's difficult for the offence to block because they don't know where the linebackers are going to be."

The Dallas defence has a special name called "the flex."

"The flex is a zone defence," said Dallas end Ed "Too Tall" Jones. "We each have an area of responsibility and you must discipline yourself to stay in your zone. That's why it's so tough for new guys to learn it and break into the lineup. In college, you pursue...free-lance a lot. Here, you don't."

UK firemen 'act like hooligans'

LONDON (AP). — Picketing firemen, outraged as a majority of British firefighters voted to end their nine-week-old strike, went on a rampage in three Hertfordshire towns just north of London on Tuesday night, police said.

About 70 pickets drove to areas where firemen had voted to return to work and rampaged through local fire stations. They turned on fire hydrants and hoses, flooding the stations, and deflated tires on fire trucks, police said.

"They acted like hooligans, screaming abuse at working firemen," said a police spokesman in Stevenage, 48 km. north of London.

"The pickets tried to persuade the firemen to continue their strike," said police chief John Kirkpatrick. "They calmed down after we talked to them."

The trouble started when it became clear that a large majority of the country's firemen wanted to accept defeat in their pay battle with the government and return to work. By late Tuesday night, 50 of the country's 63 local fire brigades had voted to accept the Labour government's pay offer; four brigades, including London firefighters, voted against the pact.

A final decision will be known today when the 180 national delegates meet in Yorkshire to cast votes on behalf of 40,500 member-firemen. Indications were that the majority was willing to get back to manning the pumps.

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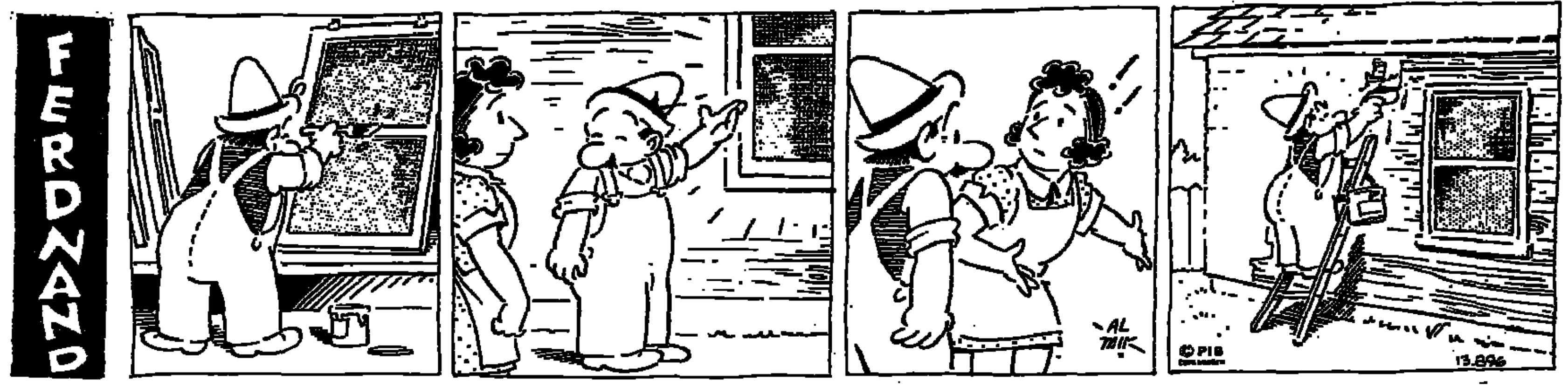

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:
17.30 Cartoons
18.00 What's Up: People and events in the news

ARABIC-LANGUAGE programmes:
18.30 News roundup
18.32 The Ghost and Mrs. Muir
19.00 Between Citizen and State: A panel answers questions from the audience
19.30 News

HEBREW PROGRAMMES
resume at 20.15 with the Match of the Week: Tel Aviv Maccabi vs. Real Madrid in the European Cup game at Tel Aviv's Yad Eliahu Sports Palace
21.00 Mabat newsreel 21.30 Second half of the basketball game between Tel Aviv Maccabi and Real Madrid
22.15 How Green Was My Valley. Part five of a six-part series based on Richard Llewellyn's novel about the Morgan family who live in a coal-mining town in Wales. With Sian Philips, Stanley Baker, Ray Powers
23.15 Behind the Headlines
23.50 News

JORDAN TV
(unofficial): 18.15 Cartoon. 18.30 Little House on the Prairie. 19.30 News in Hebrew. 20.00 News in Arabic. 20.30 Upshot Line. 21.10 Bestsellers. 22.00 News in English. 22.15 Movie of the Week

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CINEMAS

TEL AVIV 4.30, 7.15, 9.30
Allenby: Kelly's Heroes 6.45, 9.25; **Ben Yehuda:** The Great Telephone Robbery; **Chen:** Entertainer at Midnight; **Cinema One:** A few Dollars more; **Cinema Two:** The Decameron 10, 12, 2, 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **Dekel:** Firesale 7.15, 9.30; **Hod:** Ransom 4.40, 7.30, 9.30; **Esther:** Young Lady Chatterley; **Drive-In:** The Funniest Man in the World 5.30, 7.30, Ship of Fools 9.30; **Limor:** Ryan's Daughter 6, 9; **Maxim:** Flesh Gordon; **Mograbi:** Rocky 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Ophir:** The Deep 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Paris:** 12 Chairs 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30; **Orly:** Face to Face 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Peer:** The Good Earth 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Cinema Shahaff:** New York, New York, 4.30, 7, 9.30; **Royal:** Erotic Wife 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.30, 9.30; **Tchelet:** Thieves; **Tel Aviv:** 20,000 Leagues under the Sea; **Gordon:** Rose et Frederic; **Tel Aviv Museum:** Hester Street 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **Studio:** Bobby Deerfield; **Ramat Aviv:** The Dirty Dozen 6.30, 9.30; **Gat:** Gentleman Tramp; **Zafon:** Cria Cuervos.

RAMAT GAN
Armon: 20,000 Leagues under the Sea 4, 7.15, 9.30; **Hadar:** Cet obscur objet du desire 7.15, 9.30; **Lili:** The Man Who Loved Life 7, 9.30; **Oasis:** Gone with the Wind 4, 8; **Ordea:** Entertainer at Midnight 4, 7.15, 9.30; **Ramat Gan:** The Deep 7, 9.30; **Rama:** Secrets of Superstud 7.15, 9.30, Wed. also at 4.30

HERZLIYA
David: Network 7, 9.30; **Tiferet:** The Crime Busters 4, 7.15, 9.30.

PETAH TIKVA
Shalom: Entertainer at Midnight 3.30, 7.15, 9.15

NETANYA
Esther: Tigers don't cry 4.30, 7, 9.15

HAIFA 4, 6.45, 9
Amphitheatre: Face to the Wind; **Armon:** The Cop in Blue Jeans; **Atzmon:** Twilight's Last Gleaming; **Miron:** My Erotic Wife; **Chen:** Mr. Ricco; **Moriah:** Funny People 6.45, 9; **Orah:** Sweet Hostage; **Orion:** The Virgin of St. Tropez; **Orly:** The Fortune Cookie 6.45, 9; **Peer:** Entertainer at Midnight; **Ron:** Face to Face; **Shavit:** L'Amour de l'apres midi 6.45, 9.

JERUSALEM 4, 7, 9
Mitchel: New York, New York 6.30, 9.15, Wed. also at 4; **Orgil:** Carrie 4, 6.45, 9; **Orion:** Keoma 4, 6.30, 9; **Orna:** It's alive; **Ron:** 12 Chairs; **Semadar:** Dr. Zhivago 8; **Arnon:** The good, the bad & the ugly 5.45, 8.45; **Eden:** Entertainer at Midnight; **Edison:** Magboor 4, 8; **Habirah:** The Food of the Gods; **Jerusalem:** M.A.S.H. 7, 9.

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First Programme

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8.10 Morning concert — Brahms: Academic Festival Overture (Maazel). Rietz: Konzertstueck in F Minor for Oboe and Orchestra (Heinz Holliger); Beethoven: Cello Sonata No. 2 in A Minor, Op. 5 (Rostropovich, Richter); Saint-Saens: Trio No. 1 in F Major (Budapest); Mozart: Symphony No. 34 in C Major (Zubin Mehta)
10.15 Special Education
10.35 Arabic lesson
10.40 Reflections on the portion of the week
11.00 Prof. Yeshayahu Leibowitz, lesson in Halacha
11.35 The music of the headhunters of Taiwan
12.05 (Stereo): Simha Heled, cello; Jonathan Zak, piano — Grieg: Sonata Op. 36; Kodaly: Sonata Op. 4; Martinu: Variations on a Theme by Rossini
13.00 (Stereo): Schubert: Overture and Ballet Music to Rosamunde; Shostakovich: Concerto for Trumpet, Piano and Strings; Op.35; Smetana: Vltava (Stokowski)
14.10 Discussion on the changes in the family structure
15.55 Notes on a new book
16.05 (Stereo): Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra presents — Webern: Ricercare (Juan Pablo Izquierdo); Berg: Seven Early Songs (Heather Harper, Gary Bertini); Schoenberg: Chamber Symphony No. 1, Op. 9 (Eliezer Carvalho); Beethoven: Symphony No.3 (Yuri Aharonovitz)
20.15 Music magazine
21.00 Everyman's University — Introduction to earth sciences
21.30 Talmud lesson with Dr. Avraham Arzi
22.05 (Stereo): Free State University Choir, Chris Stanpool conducting — Music by Gallus, Schuetz, Scarlatti, Bruckner, Gershwin, Kern; Madrigals and Folksongs
23.30 Yesterday's Artists — Adolf Busch and Rudolf Serkin
00.10 (Stereo): Musical miniatures

Second Programme

12.30 Israeli songs
14.10 Stage and Screen — songs from musicals
15.05 Sephardi songs
16.10 Any Questions?
17.10 "The Winner's Cup *is Ours*" (no details available)
18.05 "A Matter of Time"
18.48 Sports commentary
19.00 People and events in the news
19.47 Bible Reading: Isaiah 51, 52
20.05 Israeli songs
20.50 Basketball — Tel Aviv Maccabi vs. Real Madrid in the Eruopean Cup Games at Yad Eliahu stadium
22.30 Israeli songs
23.05 Just Between Us — Gideon Lev-Ari talks about current problems with listeners

Army

6.30 University on the Air — Series on the elements of Jewish thought found in the Bible. With Prof. Yosef Ben Shlomo and Dr. Ya'acov Yehoshua Ross
9.05 *Morning Party* — Music; "Red Line" — Listeners may call 03-822292 the moment something newsworthy happens
12.05 Songs, regards
12.45 Fifteen Minutes — A brief survey of current events in Israel and around the world
13.05 Hebrew songs
13.30 "5708" — Recordings of the events of 30 years ago
14.05 Hebrew hit parade
18.05 Weekly magazine on economics
18.57 Programme announcements
19.05 Magazine on culture and entertainment
19.50 "5708" (repeat)
21.05 Tonight's Star — Bing Crosby
21.30 University on the Air — Series on the elements of Jewish thought found in the Bible.
22.05 Songs
23.05 Psychiatrists and psychologists answer listeners' questions
00.05 Night Birds — Songs, chat

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14.30 (Fourth, Fifth) 30 min.
18.05 (Fourth) 5 min.
20.15 (Fourth) 15 min.
22.30 (Fifth) 25 min.
24.00 (Fifth) 30 min.
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2335 El Al 386 Rome

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Tel Aviv

MUSEUMS

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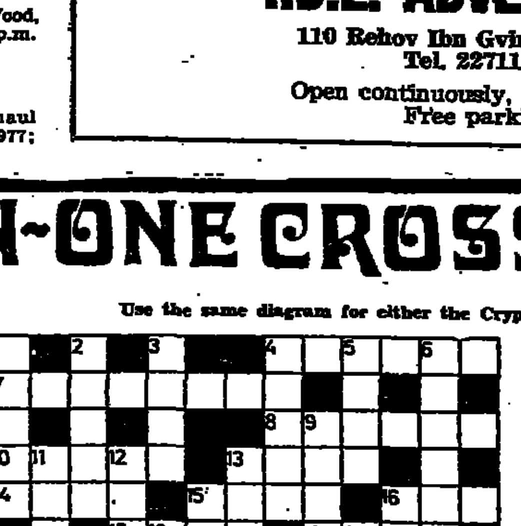

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS
4 It's hard to cut a key (6)
7 Pitiable fellow who's been caught (4, 4)
8 Show a letter to Mr Hill (6)
10 Free many an organ of obstruction (5)
13 Robert of Orange? (4)
14 Render more than unwell (4)
15 Cries of a spy? (4)
16 Sound of music (3)
17 Great little animal! (4)
19 Double box out West (4)
21 Writer, Mk II (4, 5)
23 Hair of a male, by the way (4)
24 Get some mines swept from the loch (4)
26 Tom makes him girlish (3)
27 Plant of a small industrialist, mostly (4)
29 He processes rice (4)
32 Good vibration (4)
33 It's good being first (5)
34 Crated as a precaution (2, 4)
35 Hard water? That's novel! (5, 3)
36 Inadvertent publicity ? (6)

DOWN
1 A little dust (5)
2 Book of the month for the Spanish (5)
3 How some seafarers travel (4)
4 Mostly ewes? (5)
5 A cover for evil manoeuvres (4)
6 Think mathematically (6)
9 Flaming strikers (6)
11 Partial overspill from the edge (3)
12 Town saint (5)
13 One's mate in this ship (7)
15 Animal brought up as a human? (3)
16 Table leg? (3)
18 Very dark brew of U.S. beer (6)
20 Preferable design of wears (5)
21 Polish girl? (3)
22 Water on both sides of the tee (3)
23 Uttered the sad cry of a bird-man (6)
25 He's short of time (3)
28 Build in Crete, possibly (5)
30 Wash right, in a way (5)
31 It grows from sound seed at a *farm centre* (5)
32 The speed of a piano virtuoso? (4)
33 He has a distinguished look (4)

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS
4 Picus (6)
7 Underwear (8)
8 Cask (6)
10 Horrify (5)
13 Gentlewoman (4)
14 Rain hard (4)
15 Remedy (4)
16 Tree (3)
17 Alliance (4)
19 Turn (4)
21 Lifelike (9)
23 Attire (4)
24 To-do (4)
26 Farm animal (3)
27 Unrestricted (4)
29 Animal den (4)
32 Feline sound (4)
33 Material (5)
34 Lost (6)
35 Loneliness (8)
36 Goes in (6)

DOWN
1 Animal cry (5)
2 Game-bird (5)
3 Foot part (4)
4 Exclude (5)
5 Extremely (4)
6 Discomfort (6)
9 Skilled persons (6)
11 Favourite (3)
12 Traffic-light colour (5)
13 Satan (7)
15 Mountain pass (3)
16 Curve (3)
18 Work hard (5)
20 Gangway (5)
21 Uncooked (3)
22 Heat source (3)
23 Rule (6)
25 Sticky fruit (3)
28 Iron (5)
30 Quarrel (5)
31 Renovate (5)
32 Fish (4)
33 *Roasting-rod* (4)

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution
ACROSS—1, Asleep. 7, Archduke. 8, SE-LL. 10, Plates. 11, Sprint. 14, Mez. 16, Tones. 17, Sear. 19, Ti-R-ed. 21, G-IV-eR. 22, L-op-ed. 23, Les-t. 26, Rose's. 28, Gib. 29, Untold. 30, Patron. 31, Alte. 32, Bar-one-ts. 33, Scrubs.
DOWN—1, Adepts. 2, Ex-eter. 3, Pals. 4, Chapter. 5, Cut in. 6, Keats. 8, Sam-E. 9, Leg. 12, Rod. 13, Ne-W-ts. 15, Dives 18, Elton. 19, Tip. 20, Red. 21, Go-al-ing. 22, Leo. 23, Litter. 24, Ebro. 25, Tennis. 26, Rugby. 27, Story (storey). 28, G-AL. 29, Pass.

Yesterday's Easy Solution
ACROSS—1, Pulses. 7, Homicide. 8, Male. 10, Loafed. 11, Libels. 14, Out 16, Burly 17, Dons. 19, Seals. 21, Movie. 22, Miser. 23, Sham. 26, Rowan. 28, Foe. 29, Energy. 30, Tenant. 31, Year. 32, Dolled up. 33, Elated.
DOWN—1, Pallid. 2, Status. 3, Shed. 4, Visible. 5, Cider. 6, Messy. 8, Moon. 9, Let. 12, Bus. 13, Llama. 15, Sever. 18, Onion. 19, Sos. 20, Air. 21, Mingled. 22, Mar. 23, Sonata. 24, Hear. 25, Matted. 26, Rends. 27, Weals. 28, Fee. 30, Type.

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The action of the market could not attributed to any specific news m. If anything, it could perhaps be ced to investors' impatience in absence of any positive news. lex-linked bonds moved slightly her.

Among the commercial banks only poalim managed to show a gain. e shares rose by one, to 479. zrahi (R) was the biggest loser as shares retreated by 12 to 280.

Mortgage bank issues eased. rmel was the major exception, as shares gained 20 to 530.

After a number of sessions during ich most of the shares in the group se, insurance issues could not me up with one single winner. In eping with the general trend, wever, the losses were small.

Delek (B) was a good feature as e shares gained 17 to 440. Israel ectric Corp. lost 32 to 353.

Land development and real estate ues traded lower. The biggest ser in the group was Pri Or, which retreated by 35 to 680. Neot Aviv lost 18 to 462. ILDC eased by 14 to 294.5.

Industrials also participated in the general downtrend. The new Lodzia IL1 shares were hard hit and settled for a 28-point loss to 346. Frutarom gave up 5.6 per cent to 141.5. Electra IL1 lost six per cent to 414, while the Argaman ordinary shares were seven per cent lower at 239. Teva (B) was "sellers only" at 1,425.

Electric Wire and Cables continued soft and declined by almost eight and a half per cent to 147. Nechushtan continued to be a good feature with the shares rising by 29 to an even 1,300.

Among investment company shares Paz Investments was 23 lower at 345. Amissar was six and a half lower at 274. Ampa was "sellers only" and was fixed at 188. Clal Industries lost 17 to 260.

Most Active Issues

Bank Leumi	424-4	IL2,500,000
IDB pref."A"	255-5	IL1,200,000
Hapoalim (B)	479+1	IL689,000
Shares traded:		IL97.5m.
Convertibles:		IL4.9m.

Share index down 1.14%, to 114.85

		10.1.78	11.1.78
OLLAR-LINKED EBENTURES			
% Dead Sea	b	2141	2140
% Dead Sea Junior	r	789	790
% Electric Corp. B.	r	549.5	549
URCHASE IN OLLARS			
Iollis 22		118.5	120
. of L. LINKED principal and interest)			
bsorp. 1966 (1)	b	1081	1069
bsorp. 1967 (1)	b	1053	1041
Bit. 1968 (41)	b	500	498
Bit 1969 (41)	b	390.5	384
Bit. 1969 6.5% (66)	b	541.3	541.3
Bit. 1969 6.5% (91)	b	464.1	457.6
OPTIONALS			
Dev. 296	b	507.5	504.5
Dev. 313	b	498.5	500.5
Dev. 4% (3001)	b	389.2	380.6
ONVERTIBLES			
5% Mizrahi (2)	r	345	356
% Leumi (5)	b	329	330
0% Delek	r	212	222
0% Disc. Inv. (72)	b	—	320
ANKS, FINANCIAL NSTITUTIONS			
tsar Hityashvut	r	370	375
D.B. pref.	r	776	776
D.B. Bankholding	r	409	409
Inion "A"	r	798	810
Discount "A"	r	781	786
Inited Mizrahi	b	290	299
Iapoalim	b	479	478
eumi "A"	r	424	428
en. Mortgage	b	680	662
ev. & Mortgage	b	412	419
Iousing Mortg.	b	354	365
efahot 8% pref.	b	586	580
efahot	b	578.5	586.5
d. & Dev. 8% pref.	r	180	180
ryeh	r	784	790
lassneh Insurance	b	565	570
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ur		1020	1070
EAL ESTATE, LAND DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
zorim	r	241	250
frica Israel IL10	r	940	940
r. Land Dev.		294.5	308.5
Solel Boneh 10% pref.		395	398
Property & Building		358	358
Isras		330	340
Mehadrin		1090	1100
I.C.P. Citrus	r	560	565
Neot Aviv	r	482	480
Pri Or Ltd.	b	680	715
Rassco - 8% pref.	r	203	209
Rassco	r	179.5	180.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance - B	r	1420	1420
Elco - 2.5	b	355	351
Electra - 5	r	333	351.5
Argaman - 8%	b	252	272.5
Ata - C	r	177	179.5
Dubek	b	741	780
Elec. Wire & Cable	b	147	160.5
Teva	r	1156	1156
Chem. & Phosphates	r	418	439.5
Lewin Epstein		306	306
Moller Textile		230	240
Paper Mills	r	388	390
Assis "B"	r	181	185.5
Nechustan 8% pref.	b	1300	1271
Elite	r	390	400
Shemen - 8% pref.	b	260.5	270
Frutarom	r	141.5	150
Polgat	r	390	—
Elron IL2	r	660	676
INVESTMENT COMPANIES			
Elgar		275	295
Ellern	b	507	585
Israel Central Trade	r	1000	1005
Hapoalim	b	409.5	429.5
Paz	b	345	368
Wolfson - IL10	b	181	192
Ampa	r	188	198
Discount	b	—	500
United Mizrahi	b	368	375
Bank Leumi		545	546
Piryon	r	435	452
Export Bank		206	206
Clal	r	322	325.5
Clal Industries	r	260	277
FUEL, OIL AND UTILITIES			
Naphta OTC	r	1381	1385
Lapidoth OTC	r	1785	1680
Jordan Exploration	r	1139	1175
Jordan Warrants	r	1980	2010
Delek C	r	440	428
Israel Electric Corp.	r	353	385

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m Motors	8⅜	Ford	41	Monsanto	51⅜
mer. T & T	58⅜	Gen Dynam	—	NCR	37⅞
tl Rich	48⅜	Gen Foods	—	Occ Pet	21¼
vco	15½	Gen Motors	—	Pan Am	4⅜
von	46½	Gen Tel	—	Phil Pet	28¼
ell How	14½	Gen Tire	—	Polaroid	24⅜
eth St.	20⅜	Gillette	—	RCA corp.	23⅞
oeing	25¼	Grace	—	Royal Dutch	55⅛
rist My	31⅝	Gulf West	11½	Sears Roe	26⅜
urroughs	67	Gulf Oil	25¾	Singer	19¼
BS Inc.	47⅜	Honywell	43⅜	Sony	7½
elanese	39	IBM	265½	Sperry Rand	—
hase Man	27⅝	Int Paper	39½	Teledyne	57⅝
rysler	12⅜	Int. T & T	30	Texaco	26½
oca Cola	35⅜	John John	69⅛	Texas Ins	70⅛
on Ed	23⅝	LTV	6	TWA	9⅜
rown Zell	32½	Litton	14	Twent Cent	21
urtis-Wri	18⅜	Lockheed	13⅝	U.S. Steel	30½
ow Chem	25⅝	Macy	36⅞	West Union	16¾
upont	109½	Mcdon-Doug	25¼	Woolworth	17⅞
ast KDK	49½	Merr Lynch	14⅜	Xerox	44⅞
xxon	44¼	Minn MM	46¼	Zenith	13¾

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New Year slump still on

EW YORK (AP). — The stock arket slipped a bit further yesterday after failing in another bid to reak out of its early-1978 slump. rading was down six points half an our before the close. The average ad fallen more than 49 points over e first six sessions of the new year, losing on Tuesday at a 33-month w. Losers outnumbered gainers 4 to 3 in the broad tally of New York Stock Exchange-listed issues.

The government reported that the U.S. unemployment rate fell to 6.4 per cent in December from a revised 6.7 per cent the month before. But analysts said the market was still restrained by weakness in the U.S. dollar in foreign exchange. The dollar declined against leading currencies yesterday despite recent credit-tightening moves by the U.S. Federal Reserve aimed at making it attractive to international investors.

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Yesterday's foreign exchange rates against the Israel pound

	Selling	Buying
J.S. $	15.7650	15.6600
terling	30.3984	30.1768
Swiss Fr.	8.0015	7.9431
Belgian Fr. (10)	4.8248	4.7897
Swedish Kr.	3.3595	3.3648
French Fr.	3.3485	3.3241
Danish Kr.	2.7329	2.7129
Austrian Sh. (10)	10.4194	10.3434
Dutch Fl.	6.9570	6.9062
DM	7.4674	7.4130
talian Lire (1000)	18.0657	17.9340
Finnish M.	3.9372	3.9086
Norwegian Kr.	3.0717	3.0493
Canadian $	14.3552	14.2506
Rand	18.1625	18.0301
Australian $	17.9724	17.8414
Yen (1000)	65.5738	65.1005

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U.S. $	1.9265/75	per £
DM	2.1115/35	per $
Swiss Fr.	1.9700/30	per $
Belgian Fr.	32.68/71	per $
Italian Lire	873.00/40	per $
Dutch Fl.	2.2665/85	per $
Yen	240.45/65	per $
French Fr.	4.7100/20	per $
Danish Kr.	5.7710/35	per $
Swedish Kr.	4.6535/45	per $
Norwegian Kr.	5.1340/70	per $

Gold Price — $171.85/2.25

ORWARD RATES:

	1 mon.	3 mos.	6 mos.
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M $	2.1035/063	2.0872/902	2.0610/645
w.Fr./$	1.9384/634	1.9396/436	1.9093/140

THE DAN BUS company and the Ramat Hasharon Local Council are making plans for an internal bus line which will operate exclusively in that Tel Aviv suburb. Ramat Hasharon currently has no internal bus line.

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ALMOG	172.90	168.80	+0.92
ADIF	274.61	267.96	-0.65
TZABAR	232.10	226.64	+0.66
EREZ	388.76	371.80	-1.38

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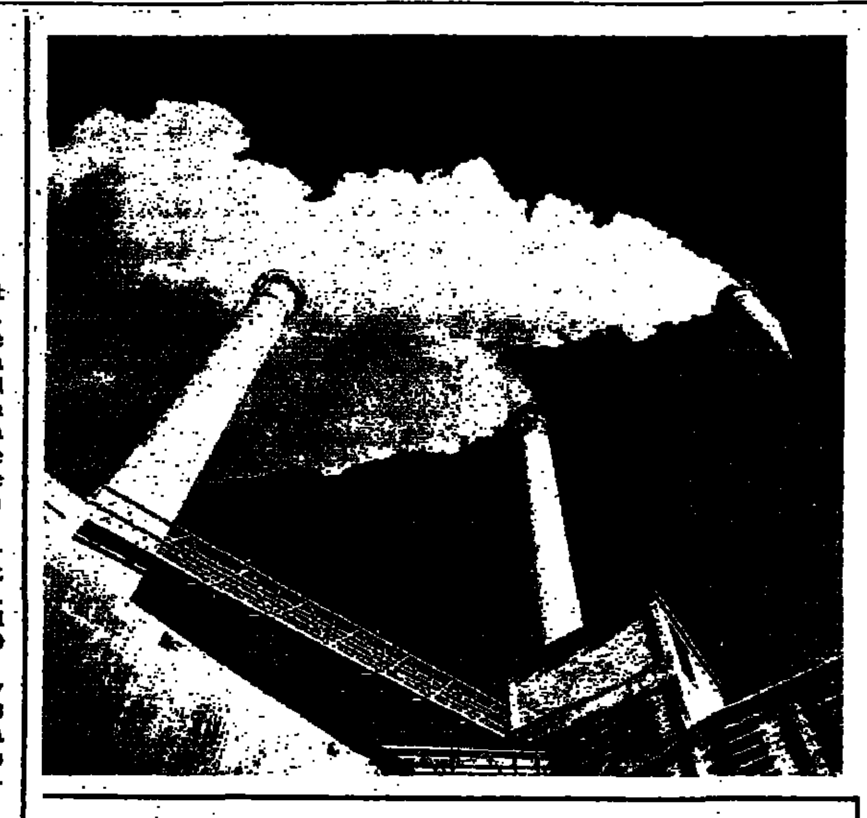

The case for and against selling only through Agrexco

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Agriculture Ministry is strangling the country's farmers by forcing them to export exclusively through Agrexco. This charge was made yesterday by Ya'acov Glazer, of Kfar Baruch, who represents the Internationaler Handel firm of Stuttgart, West Germany.

Glazer said that since May 1976 he had been trying to obtain a licence from the ministry for exports to this German firm, which had put in orders for radishes and garlic, and was interested in a variety of other agricultural products. He admitted that the Germans were mainly interested in cheap "surplus agricultural produce," but added that "this really doesn't make any difference to the farmer, for we will pay him much more than he gets by selling through present channels." The goods would be "bought in the field" with all problems of sorting, packing, shipping (by boat from Haifa) arranged by his firm, he said.

The German firm had been set up two years ago and its turnover was now about a million dollars a year. At present it imported mainly from Cyprus, and Glazer believed that the produce was not raised in Cyprus, but in Israel, where it was bought up by Arabs from the West Bank and transhipped via Jordan.

In his struggle with the ministry for an export licence, he had been told that the law stipulated that Agrexco be the sole exporter.

"This law should operate for the benefit of this country's farmers in particular and for the benefit of the country in general," he said. But, he pointed out, Morocco, which had no such law, had increased its exports from some 2,000 tons in 1972 to over 26,000 tons in 1975. In the same period, Israel's exports of vegetables had risen only from 6,236 tons to 11,891 tons, Glazer said.

As the main stumbling block in the ministry he singled out Ms. Yahaloma Shehory, a deputy director-general and chairman of the Vegetable Marketing Board.

Ms. Shehory, in commenting on the accusations, told *The Jerusalem Post* that "Mr. Glazer, and many others, could certainly make a lot of money by exporting, but this doesn't mean that the farmers would benefit. To make a sale to the exporters the farmers would start cutting prices," she said.

She added that Israel's policy of selling only through one outlet, Agrexco, had won the admiration of the rest of the world, and that Morocco was planning to establish a similar system. Spain was also considering such a step. Under the present system, all the farmers get good prices for their vegetables.

"If you want to see what would happen if the law were abolished, ask those who are exporting turkey meat. They are undercutting each other, and nobody is making a profit." she said.

Helping local craftsmen break into export markets

By SYBIL ZIMMERMAN
Special to the Jerusalem Post

Omanim Export S.P. Ltd. is a company dreamed up last fall by 33-year-old, London-born David Solomons.

"There are very talented crafts people in Israel who produce small quantities of goods. The bureaucratic procedure of exporting, however, is so complicated that the majority of them have not the time or inclination to try to break into the export market," David says.

The basic principle of Omanim is that Israel does not have an arts-and-crafts image world-wide, except a limited one within Jewish communities. He has set about collecting the best of Israel's crafts, preparing a catalogue and distributing it to his contacts in London, Stockholm, Amsterdam and Geneva. Business abroad is coordinated through a branch office in Amsterdam.

Marketing comes naturally to David. Although he earned a degree in French and Spanish from the University of Barcelona in 1964, he and his brother took over the family business when his father became ill. For 10 years they handled importing, retailing, mail order and a chain of 40 outlets throughout England for Henry Solomons Ltd. Fruits and Vegetables. David and his brother also developed the import of Israeli dates and olives.

In 1974, David and his wife and their two young sons came on aliya. For nearly three years David worked for the aliya department of the Jewish Agency and the Absorption Ministry.

Then he founded Omanim. The office and showroom of Omanim are located in Hutzot Hayotzer, opposite Mount Zion in the capital. The firm represents between 40 and 50 Jewish, Christian and Arab artists. Through its European distributors Omanim tries to get the artists' work into department stores and gift boutiques abroad.

The variety of arts and crafts listed in Omanim's catalogue indicates the plurality of Israel, which David is trying to convey. There are ceramics by nuns from the Little Sisters of Jesus; tiles by an Armenian teacher of painting and sculpture; wall weavings by an Australian; colour art photographs by an American.

"I'm trying to show the public abroad that the quality of craftswork in Israel is of international standards," David says.

Only banks can sell securities, Japhet claims

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Marketing of securities would be totally impossible in this country without the commercial banks, Bank Leumi general manager Ernst Japhet told the Knesset Economic Committee on Tuesday. If any non-banking institutions enter the stock exchange, extreme care must be taken to ensure they are trustworthy, in respect of their financial basis, their professional standards and their ethical principles alike, he said.

He spoke at a meeting of six bank managers with the Economic Committee, called to discuss the recent public sensitivity over possible conflict of interest between the banks as stock owners and as brokers.

Economic Committee chairman Gad Ya'acobi said the banks had a vital role on the stock exchange, but for this role to continue, legislative and ethical arrangements must be introduced, to prevent public faith being undermined in any way.

THE RESULTS of the recent new financing issue by the Merav Mortgage and Savings Bank indicate an over-subscription of 10.5 times the amount offered. Larger applications received 7.7 per cent of the amount offered. The shares and options, when first traded, were priced about 20 per cent over the issue.

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Such approval is required, even if the vehicle licence states that the restriction lapses on some given date.
Permits may be obtained at Customs Houses at Jerusalem, Tel Aviv-Yaffo, Ashdod, Haifa and Eilat.
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Haifa's Nesher Cement plant at 50

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — More cement should be produced in the country. Locally made and imported cement should be allowed to compete with each other, and to that end price controls and all duties and levies should be abolished.

These recommendations were made by Menahem Amiram, general manager of the Nesher Israel Cement Works, when he surveyed the industry at a press conference called here last week to mark the 50th anniversary of cement production at the Haifa plant.

"Today the price of cement is controlled by the Government. It is held down to a level where net profits are three to four per cent, a rate that discourages investors. In the past five years, the country has imported two million tons of cement and clinker (an intermediate-stage raw material, which Nesher processes into cement) more than the combined output of our plants here, in Ramle and Hartuv. At today's prices we cannot accumulate enough capital to maintain or expand our production facilities. We are running down our equipment and eating up our capital. If peace comes, Nesher will be unable to take a share in the Middle East trade, because Israel is itself an importer of cement," Amiram said.

The price of a ton of cement, ex-factory, is today IL565 in sacks and IL521 in bulk. These prices include two kinds of taxes (with different names) of together IL125 a ton. On imported cement a customs duty of IL147 and another charge of IL40 are levelled, a total of IL187.

"While fuel and electricity, which account for just over half of our production costs, have gone up 15-fold since 1973, the price of cement has been allowed to rise only 2.7 times. In 1977, the cost-of-building index rose by 39 per cent, but the price of cement only went up by 25 per cent. We achieve a net profit of between IL21m. and 30m. a year," the general manager said.

If price control was lifted, import duties abolished and competition between foreign and local cement allowed, prices would at first go up by IL100 to IL150 a ton. But the effect on the cost-of-building index would be limited, since cement accounts for barely nine per cent of total construction costs, Amiram explained.

In the long run, however, cement-making would become profitable and new capital could be attracted. Another firm might go into the business and free competition would bring the price down again to an economic level. Thus the country would become self-sufficient in this essential commodity.

"Basic industries and services, like the Electric Corporation, the Oil Refineries, Egged and others, but not Nesher, benefit from easy Government credits," Amiram said. He made it clear that Nesher would welcome competition to end its own monopoly position. The investment in a new cement making plant today would be about $80m. for facilities able to match the 700,000 ton a year output of Nesher's 50-year-old Haifa plant, he said.

The company's three plants (which produce a total of 1.9m. tons a year) employ 650 workers. Some success is reported in reducing current energy consumption.

The major investment of Nesher is its new IL70m. limestone quarry at Tamra in Western Galilee. Work there is going ahead under severe ecological restraints. The equipment has already been ordered and a new highway between the quarry and the Nesher plant, east of the city, is being built. It is expected that raw material from Tamra will begin to be processed at Nesher early next year.

Nesher's Haifa plant is now operating four electrostatic filters on its chimneys, "which absorb over 99 per cent of the dust and which work 95 per cent of the time. The operation of the filters, which cost IL17m., is supervised by the health authorities," the general manager of the Haifa plant, Shlomo Korn, told the press. The white clouds billowing from the smoke stacks were water vapour, he said.

Expanding and modernizing production facilities here would require an investment of IL320m. There was a time when the Haifa plant produced more cement than the country needed, and during its 50 years of operation it exported two million tons of surplus output to 32 countries, among them even the U.S.

The Nesher Cement Works are today owned in equal shares by Koor and Clal. The enterprise was founded in the early 1920s by a group of investors headed by Michael Pollak who owned oil wells in Baku.

Budget portends unemployment

By LEA LEVAVI

TEL AVIV. — The proposed state budget shows no real signs of stimulating economic growth, but it portends unemployment, which the Histadrut takes very seriously, Yisrael Kessar, head of the Trade Union Department, said on Tuesday.

He added that those who compare productivity standards here with those of Europe, should remember that salaries there are much higher and that the difference in salaries is greater than the difference in productivity. He said that productivity in industry had risen significantly over the last two years, and that this must be taken into account in negotiating the 1978/79 wage agreements.

Coral Island cable car

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The construction of a cable car line to connect the Coral Island with the southern end of the Eilat shore was approved by the Tourism Development Committee yesterday. Plans include a restaurant and observation deck on the island.

The committee, chaired by the Minister of Industry, Commerce and Tourism, Yigal Hurvitz, approved investments totalling IL50m.

Among the projects approved are a three-star hotel in Jerusalem with 110 rooms; a 30-metre high observation tower in Eilat with a rotating restaurant on top, and the purchase of two additional cruise boats for Lake Kinneret.

Ganei Shulamit hotel sale denied

An official of the Ganei Shulamit hotels yesterday denied reports that the chain had been sold to a Swiss financial group.

The chain, with hotels in Eilat, Ashkelon and at the Dead Sea, is owned by Bezalel Mizrahi who is suing "Ha'aretz" for describing him as a leader of organized crime. According to yesterday's reports, Mizrahi sold the hotels for $9m. without receiving the necessary advance approval of the Industry, Commerce and Tourism Ministry.

But a Ganei Shulamit official in Tel Aviv said yesterday that the Swiss group was only planning to buy a 50 per cent interest in the chain.

Bezalel Mizrahi himself is out of the country.

The recurrent cry for a Minister of Tourism

By DAVID LENNON
Post Travel Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — "A Minister of Tourism should be appointed by Mr. Begin, because we need someone who has time for the subject," Haim Schiff, chairman of the Hotels Association, said here yesterday. The current Minister of Industry, Commerce and Tourism does not have enough time for the travel business, and there is no one to solve the problems which require a decision at Government level, he added.

Reporting on the record year for tourism the country enjoyed last year, the hotelier said that if charter flights were permitted without restrictions, the country could absorb another half a million tourists, and without having to add extra hotel rooms.

This claim was contradicted by other members of the association, who pointed out that Israel was already losing tourists because of the shortage of hotel rooms in Jerusalem. This was an example of the sort of problem that could only be solved by the appointment of a single coordinator, such as a Minister of Tourism, it was stressed during a luncheon meeting with the press.

Eli Paposhado, the owner of the Red Rock Hotel in Eilat, said that the southern port had been pulled out of its economic crisis by the expansion of charter flights. He said that the Transport Minister, Meir Amit, had undertaken to remove restrictions on charters within 18 months. The hoteliers intended to insist that this promise be honoured.

The Eilat hotelier also said he believed that if the Government intended to permit charter flights for Israelis going abroad, this would reduce the volume of business the hotels derive from Israelis holidaying within the country. He said that such a change in the charter policy should be accompanied by a total liberalization on incoming charters, so that the hotels could replace the Israeli clients by foreign tourists.

The chairman of the Jerusalem branch of the Hotel Association, Yehuda Greenbaum, said that there had been a ten per cent decrease in the number of Israelis staying at hotels here last year. With the recent price increases, he expects an even bigger drop this year.

Moshe Barnea, the chairman of the Tel Aviv branch, said that hotels in his area alone could hire another thousand people, if suitable staff were available.

Paposhado said that the solution is to bring in foreign workers from Ethiopia or Thailand, for example. But he complained that the Government is slow in giving permits to bring in labour from overseas.

ISRAEL POLLACK, chairman of Polgat Woollen Industries Kiryat Gat Ltd., has announced that his company's net earnings for 1977 will be IL35m., compared with IL26m. in 1976. Sales grew to IL1b. in 1977 from IL600m. in the preceding year. Earnings per share will thus come to 61 per cent, as compared to 50 per cent in 1976.

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Talking in earnest

THE LONG HAUL towards peace has just begun in earnest, as the military committee of the Cairo conference assembled in the Egyptian capital last night. This is to be followed by the opening of discussions in the political committee in Jerusalem next week.

A caveat is, however, in order. Steady and orderly progress must not be expected in an effort to settle as long, intricate and emotion-laden a conflict as that between Arabs and Israelis. What may be foreseen, instead, is a succession of leaps and bounds, both forward and backward, and tentative agreements disrupted by sudden crises, with the heads of the governments of Israel and Egypt — and perhaps of the U.S. as well — rushing to the rescue.

It would be comforting to believe that the warning is being prematurely sounded; but it is not. Curtain raisers, it is true, often fail to suggest the real flavour of a show. But the fact is that the Cairo deliberations are off to a somewhat inauspicious start, against a background of mutual threats and recriminations.

During the past week or so, Israel has taken some ill-advised and especially ill-timed actions on the ground, to the accompaniment of unaccountably tough talk. Egypt for its part has stooped to a style reminiscent of the hostility that seemed to have gone out of fashion last November.

President Sadat and Premier Begin bear much of the blame for things getting out of hand so soon after Ismailiya. It is encouraging to learn that both of them, aided from a distance by President Carter, are now working to douse the flames of aroused enmity. They are advising one another, and their own peoples, that what matters is not style but substance.

They should heed their own advice. Both leaders are, of course, subject to heavy pressures from rejectionist forces within their respective camps. Yet their bluster has not been all bluff. Some of it has served to reinforce positions implacably held by each side.

A great gulf still separates them: and unless there is the will to bridge it, through negotiation, there will simply be no peace.

Mr. Sadat cannot tell Mr. Begin to go burn the settlements in Sinai, or remove them some other way, if he wants a deal; and Mr. Begin cannot tell Mr. Sadat that if the settlements are not allowed to stay on in a manner determined by himself, then the deal is off.

Negotiation without precondition has always been Israel's formula, and it is apparently still difficult for the Egyptian mind to be reconciled to it. In practice, it is hard for both sides to accept in good faith. But since neither side can impose its will on the other, this is the only acceptable formula — the only assurance, indeed, that the long haul will not be in vain.

Children for export

THIS MUCH is not in question: there are now some 200 Jewish boys and girls from poor Israeli homes in a live-in yeshiva somewhere near Paris; they were sent there by some interested religious (more precisely ultra-orthodox) circles; and the bill for their journey and upkeep is footed by a Jewish French millionaire.

The rest is rather less certain. According to a report on Israel radio a few days ago, an investigation carried out by the old Social Welfare Ministry found conditions in the yeshiva fairly appalling: bad food, dirty classrooms, inadequate medical care, harsh discipline.

This was contested by a Bnei Brak rabbi who had also tried, unsuccessfully, to bar the radio broadcast through a court injunction.

Last Tuesday an advertisement was placed in a Hebrew newspaper claiming the report was positively libellous. The fact, it said, is that the yeshiva, and the adjoining dormitory, is a model in every respect. Six Israeli rabbis signed the advert, which they claimed was based on repeated personal observation. The list was topped by Sephardi chief rabbi Ovadia Yosef.

It is of course possible that conditions in the yeshiva have improved since the original checkup by the ministry, which was some years ago. But that is not the point.

Even if the children from Israel are having the time of their academic life in France, they are there because their underprivileged parents were bribed to send them out of the country in order to get, of all things, a Jewish education.

Why have the authorities not done anything to curb this racket? Because, the Labour and Social Affairs Minister told the Knesset yesterday, there is, in any case, no law against it, particularly if the children are sent away in groups and not individually. Why not enact such a law, then?

Only a fortnight ago, in rather unaccustomed haste, the Knesset passed a bill, which is due to become law on April 1, making it a crime to bribe or be bribed for the sake of religious conversion. The new law has raised a storm of protests from Christians in Israel — not so much, really, for its contents, as for an unbridled attack on missionaries with which it was prefaced by its private sponsor, the Aguda's Rabbi Abramowitz.

Similar legislation should speedily be passed making it a crime to entice parents, through the offer of material gain, to send their little children for schooling — any kind of schooling — abroad.

Herut's turning point

MARK SEGAL discusses the implications of a sizeable minority in Herut being opposed to Premier Begin's peace plan.

THE ROW that erupted during Sunday's Herut central committee meeting will take a long time abating. The TV-viewing public may have been alarmed by glimpses of the highly emotional scenes that always accompany such Herut meetings, and the sight of a visibly upset prime minister encountering internal dissension. But then Herut has always operated at high blood pressure level, the difference being that today it is the party of government and what it does may have far-reaching effects on our lives.

Premier Begin's sharp attack on the media for doing its job, and Government Secretary Arye Naor's persistent evasiveness, are perhaps a residue of their movement's underground tradition. Throughout most of his years in the Opposition, Begin ran Herut as his own show, largely relying on a closed circle of IZL veterans which took the name of "the fighting family" *(mishpaha lohemet)*. Their main characteristic was unswerving loyalty to him.

Haim Landau — development minister in the National Unity Government — is one of the few survivors of the family (while Naor is the son of a founding member), and the prime minister has tried to co-opt him onto his cabinet since its formation. The refusal of Prof. Moshe Arens to accept any but a technological portfolio and the decline of the ministerial prospects of Deputy Minister Yoram Aridor facilitated Landau 's co-option. The entry of the DMC into the government removed portfolios which Begin had his eye on for Landau, so instead he will serve as minister-without-portfolio. What is clear already is that Landau will become the minister closest to the premier, and also his troubleshooter, probably assuming the role Israel Galili performed in the Golda Meir government.

BEGIN'S critics accuse him of conducting the government in a, presidential manner, even in monarchical style. It may be that we have to accustom ourselves to a more authoritarian style of premiership than we have had since the days of the late David Ben-Gurion.

This was Begin's style of ordering things in Herut, which was largely identified with his personality since the "fighting family" emerged from the underground. Some observers find a parallel between the way Deputy Defence Minister Zippori speaks of "having our cake and eating it" over the future Judea and Samaria, and the way Begin and his inner circle speak in terms of a mass party without losing the old intimacy of the years in the wilderness.

In the past any internal disagreements invariably ended in the dissenters finding themselves drummed outside the party (like Eliezer Shostak or Shmuel Tamir). All opposition was taken personally and regarded as a form of lese majeste. In such conditions it was difficult for any opposition to exist, no matter how loyal. Thus Ezer Weizman was obliged to retire from active party politics after disagreeing with Begin, only to bounce back in 1977 to manage brilliantly the Likud election campaign.

The party has now developed and is being moulded into a modern political organization with the new scheme of Party Executive Chairman Avraham Schechterman; the big question that remains is whether the new Herut is flexible enough to contain a sizable faction of internal dissenters. The answer could well determine the future of the party and of the Likud as a whole.

Sunday night's vote was of marked significance because it produced a minority of notable dimensions, with four members of the central committee preferring Shmuel Katz as minister to every six members following Begin's preference for Haim Landau. There have been few occasions in Herut's past when such a significant minority stood up to the party leader. His use of the ultimate weapon, the threat to resign ("to draw personal conclusions" is the phrase), did not deter them.

Just because Herut has been described as a Hassidic movement following a charismatic leader, so the vote was a major departure in Herut's history.

Despite the disclaimers (for instance, Landau's "So much froth on the water"), this division might be seen as the coalescence of serious internal opposition to Begin's leadership. It reminded many observers of the fateful split along a similar 3:2 ratio in Mapai in 1965 between the followers of Ben-Gurion and of Eshkol.

The Herut dissenters have an issue — the peace plan — and they have leaders of calibre — Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon, Shmuel Katz and Geula Cohen, MK. Not that these three are thinking right now in terms of going too far, but Geula Cohen has already hailed the vote as heralding the emergence of a new party faction. Perhaps they would do well to study the history of the Mapai minority, for when the crunch came old party loyalties prevailed and only a small group followed Ben-Gurion into Rafi.

IT COULD BE that Sharon, Katz and Cohen are establishing their political position in expectation of the Begin peace plan failing because of Arab intransigence or some other reasons.

Of the three, Sharon is the least rooted in Herut, and has hitherto discarded party frameworks as if they were old shoes. He has already assumed the robe of Gush Emunim patron from Zevulum Hammer, and is now taking over as the top spokesman for maximalism. His revelation to a Sinai settlers' rally that he was the only Herut minister to vote against Begin's plans has not made him a greater favourite of the premier. Indeed, there are those in the prime minister's circle who can be heard to say that if Sharon is not too careful he will give extremism a bad name.

What is already apparent is that the vote on Landau's election not only reflected the measure of the party's support for the government's policies, but provided a further insight into how the succession stakes are going.

Weizman has emerged stronger than ever before, having demonstrated how far his control of the party machine is at Begin's disposal. His prominent role in the actual peace talks is another indication of his growing ascendancy. While Weizman treats newsmen in a Sphinx-like fashion, Sharon has shown a supreme self-defeating passion for publicity. Every one of Sharon's statements has moved him further away from the inner circle of power. As predicted (in these columns), Sharon has moved towards the leadership of the extremists while Begin and his circle are propelled by events towards moderate ground.

In a way, the Likud is fortunate that Sharon (and Dayan for that matter) ran on another Knesset list, for he cannot claim any share in the victory. Finance Minister Ehrlich has been quoted as saying "Sharon's (political) weight has been measured, and found wanting"; he was referring to the two mandates Sharon's defunct Shlomzion Party returned.

SOME INSIDERS are beginning to wonder whether those who nominated Sharon for the deputy chairmanship of the political committee in the peace talks were not aware that their nomination would be resoundingly defeated.

As they say, the difference between 50 per cent and 51 per cent is 100 per cent, and Begin's choice did win 60 per cent of the central committee's votes, a reasonable margin by any criterion. It may also be pointed out that Ben-Gurion encountered similar opposition inside Mapai in the 1948 debate on the declaration of a Jewish State. Furthermore, if one takes the Likud as the broader frame of reference, the maximalist minority shrinks even further.

As a supreme political tactician, Begin knows how to employ such set-ups to his advantage, just like letting the rest of the Likud and the coalition defeat the proposal to appoint Sharon as Dayan's deputy, thereby cutting him down to size.

Nevertheless, it would be a mistake to think that Begin is so much the master of the situation that Herut's sizable minority cannot limit his freedom of action. They can. And this should be noted well by the Egyptians as well as by the Americans.

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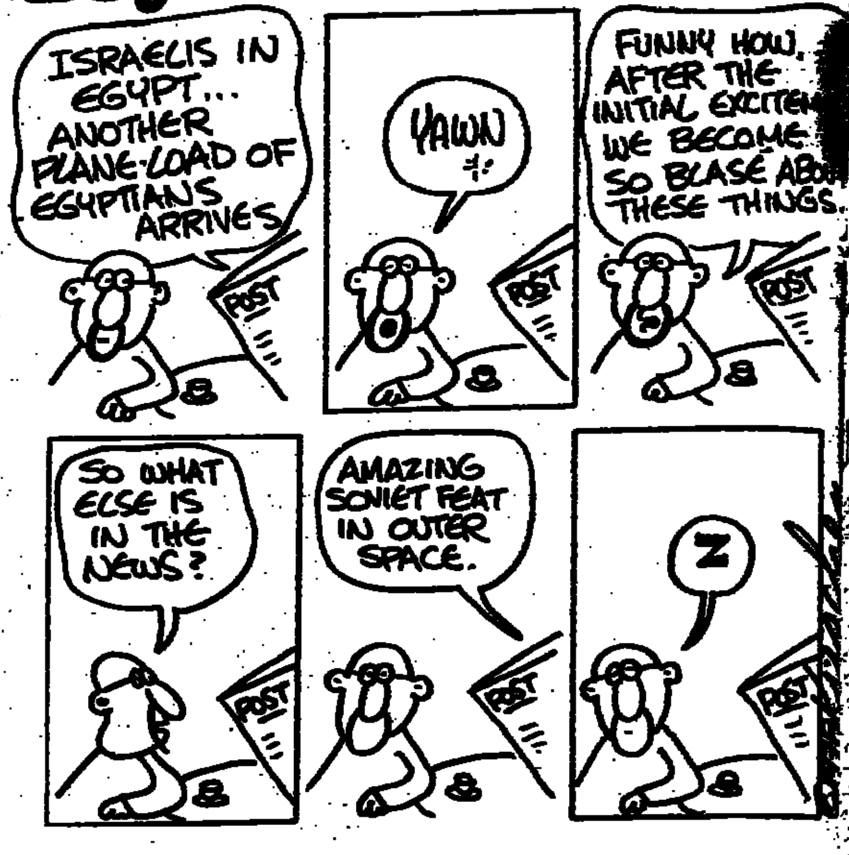
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READERS' LETTERS

CHALLENGE TO YAMIT SETTLERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — During the debate on Begin's peace programme in the Knesset, we saw a demonstrator in front of the Knesset bearing the placard, "I didn't make aliya in order to live in Egypt."

We are olim from North America, having made aliya during the past seven years. We also didn't make aliya in order to live in Egypt. Neither did we make aliya to oppress another people; which is the logical and practical meaning of the permanent Israeli control of Gaza and the West Bank. What did bring us to Israel was an understanding of Zionism as the national liberation movement of the Jewish people. We believe that any movement which suppresses the historic rights of another people cannot do justice unto itself.

Our Zionism is rooted in the need for the Jewish people to establish a homeland for itself and to build itself anew. In the 20th century, this has meant achieving statehood as well as hard personal toil in developing our land and cities. Under no circumstances can this need be synonymous with the expansion of our borders at the expense of our neighbours; nor through the utilization of a landless people for building our own home.

As former Americans/Canadians, as Zionists and as compassionate human beings, we are truly sorry that people have been duped into settling in Yamit. Since the Six Day War, Israel has repeatedly stated that the settlements in the occupied territories were not meant to create facts. Instead, they were meant for bargaining purposes at the peace table in order to ensure Israel's security. The time for peace has come and our presence in Yamit must become a fact of the past.

Possibly the Yamit settlers have not examined all the alternatives within Israel's internationally recognized boundaries. There are many challenges for our Zionist goals, some of which we would like to suggest to them:

1) Development towns are in great need of people with a vision and an idea.

2) Continued settlement of the Negev and Arava, "making the desert green," is a historical goal of Zionism which has been neglected of late.

3) Further development of those parts of the Galilee which don't belong to Israeli Arabs is high on our national agenda.

4) Building new collective settlements and strengthening existing kibbutzim can provide us with a combination of self-realization and national commitment.

At the moment, the voices for peace in Israel are waiting anxiously for the outcome of the Israeli-Egyptian dialogue. We are hopeful that these talks will result in a new age of peace. Just as we condemn the actions of the Arab refusal front, we cannot agree to an Israeli refusal front which might just succeed in blocking the road to peace. We hope Israelis will remember that the greatest challenge that now faces us and Zionism is the achievement of a just and lasting peace.

GARY BRENNER (Kibbutz Hatzor)
JAY HURVITZ (Kibbutz Hatzor)
YITZHAK KEREM (Garin Nirim)
SHERYL BARON NESTEL (Rehovot)
SYDNEY NESTEL (Rehovot)
SHELLY SCHRETER (Arad)
DAVID TWERSKY (Kibbutz Gezer)

RESETTLEMENT FOR YAMIT RESIDENTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am disturbed by the news that the residents of Yamit and possibly those of other settlements may be transferred to foreign sovereignty. Among these people are immigrants who came to Israel to be Jews in a Jewish state. Suddenly and involuntarily, they will become an island in a completely foreign culture.

I too want peace, but I cannot believe that the end justifies the means. Such a betrayal would discourage aliya and future border settlements.

If our settlements must be transferred to foreign sovereignty for the common good, then the settlers must be offered the alternative of resettlement in Israel proper without financial loss.

RIVKA GOLD
Kfar Shmaryahu.

ISRAEL'S STOCK EXCHANGE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your editorial of December 7, regarding the Tel Aviv stock exchange covers not only the Israel capital market place, but that of any nation. The stock exchange is not a gambling casino or lottery where one can expect to get something for nothing.

While it isn't at all evident that all share prices in the Tel Aviv stock market were over their true value and yet people went on buying, however, there was a degree of speculation. The current peace offensive and the uncertainty surrounding it is a classic example that has occurred many times when nations go from a "war to peace" status.

More important, though, was your analysis of the make-up of the stock market which is completely controlled by the Israel banking system. By no means do I blame the banks alone for the present chaotic market, but the entire stock investment capital market is dominated by them in all facets; for the banks are investors, they are underwriters, they float shares of their own, they head unit trusts, they act as investment advisers and they completely dominate the SEC and the Board of Directors of the stock exchange.

As time goes on, this must be broken up with the banks reverting to normal banking practices as in most other countries while normal investment counsels and brokerage firms should be set up as soon as is practical, governed by the number of companies and shares traded on the daily market.

The current government will certainly address itself to this problem and to the involvement in the board of the stock exchange of competent personalities who do not represent the banking sector.

LOUIS H. BARNETT
Fort Worth, Texas.

PROTEST FROM YAMIT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The attitude of our government and of Israelis who have visited Yamit lately makes me think I must be having a bad dream.

Can you people possibly imagine that the settlers of Yamit and Pithat Rafiah will actually stay on under the proposed conditions? The Ministry of Absorption will only add to its list of achievements in stupidity if it actually tries to encourage immigrants to go and live in Egypt. No Jew in his right mind will choose to stay on the other side of Israel's border, in Egypt, in order to help the Israelis in Tel Aviv and Beersheba to feel more secure. I believe it is an affront to our intelligence to even think it.

Yamit. *CAROLE ROSENBLATT*

THE FLEENER CASE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your front-page report of January 10 (by Itim, A.P. and U.P.I.) on the trial of my client, Terry Fleener, you state, inter alia, that her first words after her arrest were reportedly that she wanted me to represent her and that her investigators saw this as an indication that Fleener had been briefed by her dispatchers about what to do should she be apprehended by Israeli security forces.

This report is simply not true and is a pure invention. Moreover, it harms my client. It is also damaging to me and constitutes a warning to others that asking for me as their defence lawyer will lead their investigators to suspect them, as the latter will conclude that these people were directed to do so by organizations, and therefore it is better not to ask for me since this mere fact is incriminating.

Finally, it is not correct that Terry Fleener was suspected of or indicted for photographing military objectives.

Jerusalem. *FELICIA LANGER*

FIRST TRIP FROM CAIRO TO LOD

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — C. Arnon refers to the first flight from Israel to Egypt in 1937 (by Advocate E.J. Alroy, December 28). I believe I made the first flight the other way, from Cairo to Lod, in May 1934 in a single-engined De Havilland.

When I passed over Lod Airport, it looked like a field covered with grass, so I thought I was mistaken and looked around. I noticed planes on the ground a few miles away and landed there. It happened to be the British airfield of Ramle. I was told that what I had seen before was in fact Lod Airport. I paid a 19 shilling fine and flew to Lod, where I landed a few minutes later.

I was welcomed by an Arab guard who stood in a small wooden hut with a telephone. The guard called the Jaffa Customs who dispatched a policeman and a customs officer to Lod. They checked my passport and log book, and I drove to Tel Aviv.

Two days later I bought some cans of gasoline and flew back to Cairo.

A. BENIN
Tel Aviv.

THE JANATA GOVERNMENT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Gwynne Dyer, in his article, "Democracy — a year of success" (December 30), has made an excellent survey of the trek back to democracy in a good number of countries in various parts of the world in 1977.

However, I feel that his information about the efficiency of the Janata government which replaced Mrs. Indira Gandhi's government in India is not correct. It is only nine months since the Janata government took over and in this short period, it has fully justified the overwhelming confidence reposed in it by people. It would not be realistic to expect wonders in a country of the size of India in such a short period of time, especially in view of the situation the present government inherited.

I believe the Janata government is efficient, is doing well and moving in the right direction to redeem its pledges to the people.

P.M. TRIPAT
Haifa.

"BEHIND THE HEADLINES"

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I take strong exception to the lavish praise which Philip Gillon repeatedly heaps on Yaron London as moderator of TV's "Behind the Headlines."

Mr. London handles the interviews in a manner which is haughty, conceited and often cynical. He insists on imposing his views on the people he interviews. He frequently interrupts them rudely when he disagrees with them, or suddenly ends the conversation when he has had enough of it. He makes no effort to conceal his own leftist views, and his musical taste for such a supposedly highbrow show is downright atrocious. Nor do I agree with Mr. Gillon that Yaron London has recently moderated his harsh approach which often resembles an interrogation rather than an interview. His attitude towards the people he interviews is particularly objectionable when he is dealing with religious people.

It is a pity that the programme's producers have reneged on their promise to rotate moderators, just as they do with newscasters. If we are doomed to have this programme thrust on us every other night of the week (which I personally consider too much), then at least let the producers vary the moderators.

DAVID LEVI
Jerusalem.

POSTSCRIPTS

AN ASTROPHYSICIST at the Hebrew University is shortly to publish his study of "marsquakes" and other tectonic activity on the surface of the red planet. Prof. Yaakov Shaham's research may lead to a new understanding of why earthquakes occur.

The Israeli scientist, who is working in collaboration with Dr. David Pines of the University of Illinois, explains that his work predicts major surface features and activity on a planet. The strains created by the very largest surface features of a planet are what cause tectonic activity such as earthquakes.

On Mars, the most significant feature illustrating his theory is the Tharsis bulge. On Earth, a similar massive feature is the Pacific Ocean and it is the floor of this ocean which is the critical factor in Prof. Shaham's theory.

While it is a long way from his theory to the actual prediction of earthquakes, the scientist believes that it may provide a method of understanding the global mechanisms causing these natural disasters.

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